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Proudly hail our Alma Mater.

To her e'er be true.

Sing her praise in mighty chorus,
laud and glory too.

Cheer the team. Support its standards.

Back the Pioneers.

Gladly say that you're from U-High.
Uphold her through the years.



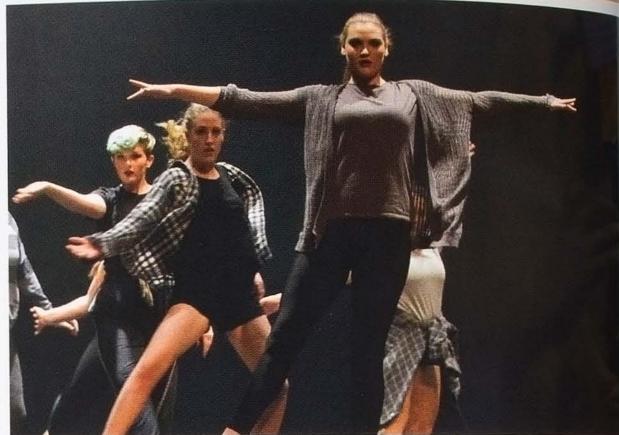


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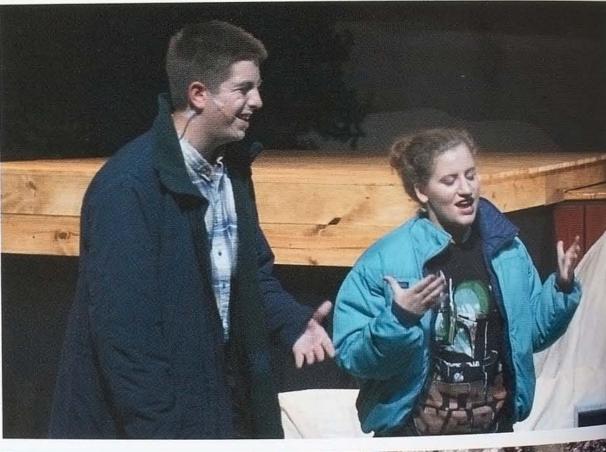
As the temperature cools and the leaves turn gold, the Pioneers are called back to class. The year kicked off with the spirited back-to-school assembly, only the beginning of the series of traditions U-High continues each year. A month later, we cracked open the 50-year-old time capsule. The relics were displayed in the library and the halls were plastered with green and gold, creating energy among students. With Pioneer pride all around them, everyone had a refreshing start to the new school year.

















With Friday Night Lights, fun team practices, Homecoming week, impromptu dance parties, and an all-male pageant, U-High students have plenty of autumn traditions to love.

"I like making the freshmen sing 'I'm a Little Teapot' because it allows me to show some authority and make me feel like a real senior," senior Trey Jones said with a laugh.

Some traditions are more formal, drawing large crowds and donations for student-affiliated charities.

"I love watching Mr. U-High because it gives the senior boys a chance to really show their spirit and talent, and it's for a really good cause," junior Sydney Auth said.

But some traditions give everyone the opportunity to participate and bond together over their school pride.

"Football games!" junior Kaylee Birlingmair said. "The school spirit and how we all dress the same really brings us together."



# Stay Golden

Working for Success

1. Junior Megan Wittman, freshman Sadie Cole, and sophomore Hadley Hagerty await the start of their dance team's performance during the Homecoming

2. The offense huddles together before running a victorious play against Pontiac. The offense scoreda total of nine points for the big Conference game. Sophomore quarterback Doug Holmes led the

Costumes. Getting dressed up. Alumni. Marching band. These are the traditions of Homecoming week. This year Senate decided to deck the halls as well, having each class purchase decorations that welcomed students to school. The participation during this year's dress up week was one to remember. Themes included the traditional PJ Day, Character Day, Decade Day, and Green & Gold Day. Outfits included superheroes and villains for Character Day, bonnets and tall hats for Decade Day, and anything to bleed green and gold on Friday.

"Homecoming week was one of the best Homecoming weeks we've had in a long time," assistant activities director Bob

Fitzgerald said.

This year's pep assembly included a sumo wrestling match between Principal Andrea Markert and Assistant Principal Steve Evans. The students enjoyed the new entertainment, cheering them to victory. However do not ask Evans about the outcome, he's still upset he lost to a lady.

"It was rigged. Coach Mike Troll tripped me," Evans said. "She's

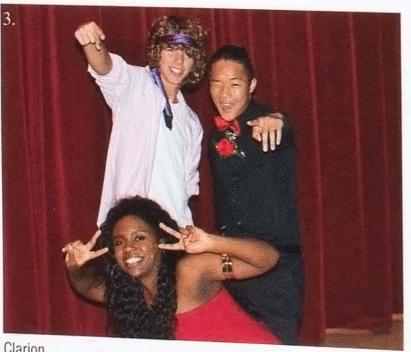
the principal; she has to win."

This year's special event was the opening of the time capsule. Fifty years ago the class of 1965, the first class to move into the current building, placed items in time capsule to be opened in the year 2015. Alumni and faculty gathered to view the items that were featured in the metal box.

"The time capsule had a lot more in it than what I was expecting," Markert said. "I thoroughly enjoyed looking at the student handbook from that time period. I also loved the Beatles pin." Every year the students go the extra mile to make the week enjoyable and memorable for all students and faculty and this year was no different.

"(It) gives alumni the option to come back, to see how it has changed over the years, and gives the student body the opportunity to show our spirit and how we're carrying it on," senior Dave Phipps said.

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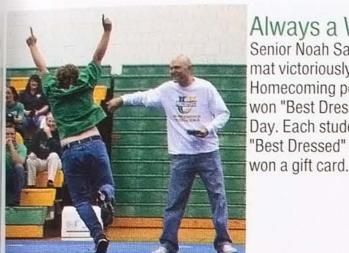






at the pep rally. 5. During half time of the Powderpuff game, the freshn and sophomores take on each other in Tug-of-War contest.

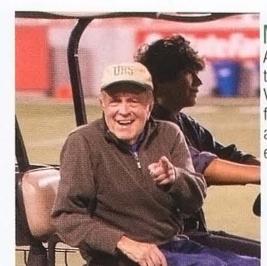
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Always a Winner
Senior Noah Sallen runs off the
mat victoriously at the
Homecoming pep rally after he
won "Best Dressed" for Pajama
Day. Each student who won
"Best Dressed" on any spirit day

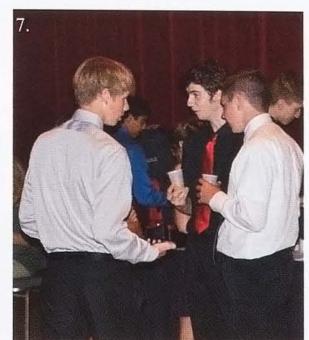


Taking Charge
Senior Joseph Hughes fires
through the Pontiac defense to
score a touchdown during the
Homecoming game. Hughes
had the only touchdown of the
game.



Monkeyin' Around
Alumni Paul Grethey points to
the crowd as junior Andrew
Vazquez escorts him onto the
football field. During the alumni
assembly, students were able to
enjoy Grethey's "monkey" story.





#### Refresh and Replinish

7. Juniors Noah Franklin and Kevin LeMentec enjoy refreshments provided by the Boosters Club while dancing in the Bone Student Center. Attendance at this year's Homecoming dance was much higher than in the previous years, mostly due to freshman participation. Aidan Bovee enjoyed his freshman Homecoming experience, specifically hanging out at the dance with friends.

"I didn't really know what to expect, but I had so much fun," Bovee said. "I liked just being around my friends and seeing everyone all dressed up."



#### Seniors Steal the Spotlight

8. Senior Emma Somers leads the drumline in an astounding performance during the pep rally. Every year students enjoy listening to the drumline because they always have a new beat to show the school.

"Drumline has been the biggest part of my high school life,' Somers said. "My fellow band members are some of my closest friends. They are the reason I have the drive to get better and it's because of them that I am able to step forward and do what I love."



Homecoming king John Diffor and queen Christina Su link arms after being crowned.

"When I heard my name for the list of court members I was so honored," Su said. "But then hearing my name be announced for queen at ISU was insane. All of those girls deserved it just as much."

9. Senior boys celebrate after winning the male cheerleading contest. Only hvaing one competitor from the sophomore class, students could say it was an easy victory.



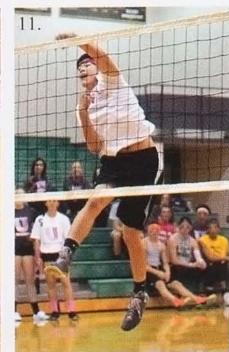
#### Pre-Festivities

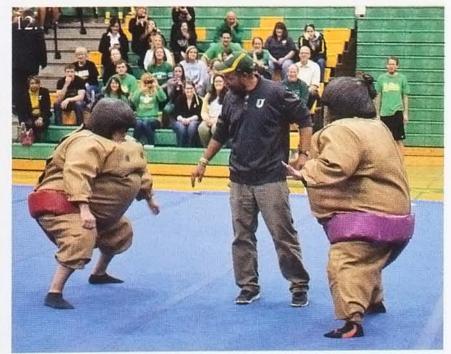
10. Junior Powderpuff captain Josh Henderson gives the girls a pep talk before the big game.

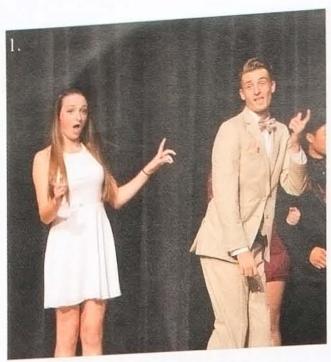
11. Senior Perry Lim slams the ball down to help lead the senior boys to a victorious night at the male volleyball tournament.

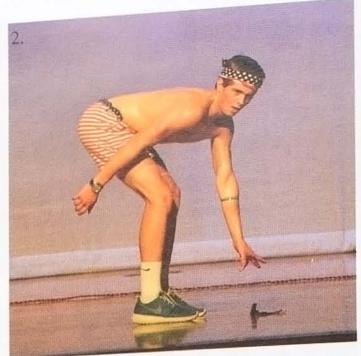
12. Principal Andrea Markert and Assistant Principal Steve Evans face off in the first ever sumo wrestling contest, reffed by Mike Troll.

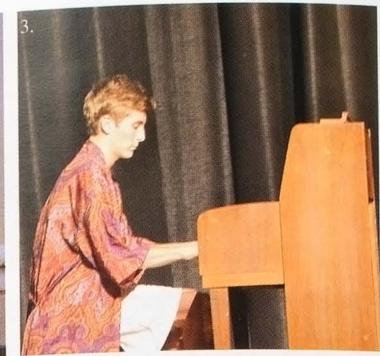












Dressed to Impress

1. Modeling a tan tuxedo with a coral bowtie, Calum Smith is shown off by escor

2. With patriotic swimtrunks and an American bandana, David Phipps walks judges.

3. Patrick Deneen performs a Samuel Barber piece titled, "Excursion I" on the piano for his talent.

## It's Raining Men

This year's Mr. U-High was defined by a record-breaking 17 participants and the most money ever raised. The annual tradition is an all-senior, male pageant that raises money for Haitian Christian Ministries and the club U-Build. This club uses the earnings to travel to Haiti and build a home for a family. During spring break, this group will be traveling to Camp Haitien to build a home for Jacky and Roudeline Alphonse. This year they raised about \$6,500, nearly tripling the amount from previous years.

"The guys were each responsible for raising \$100 on their own," senior fundraising coordinator and U-Build president Kylie Personette said. "Some offered hugs for a donation, some bribed people for money with homemade cookies, some had very generous

mothers who gave money to them."

According to Personette, the contestants raised \$1,700 combined.

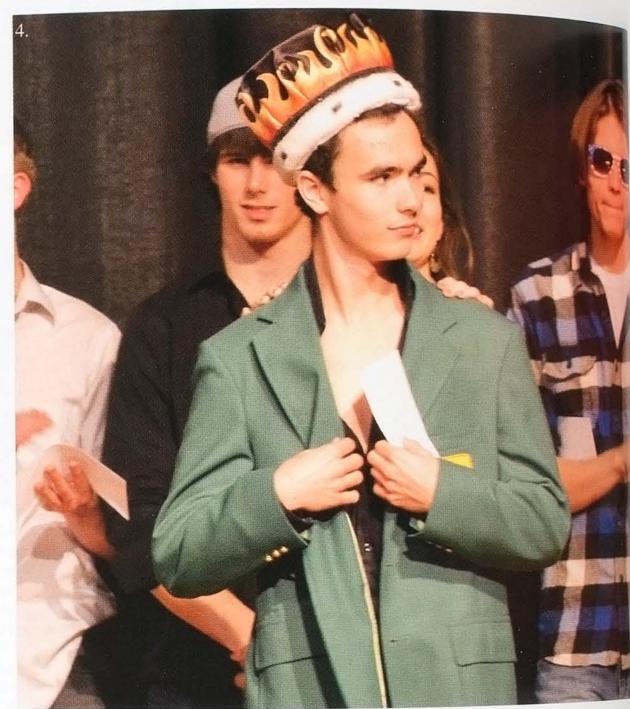
Local businesses donate items or money to be auctioned off before and during the performance. The tradition of Mr. U-High was created in honor of former student Troy Hari. Students who sign up to participate perform in four different categories: formal wear, swimwear, talent, and question & answer. Senior Grace Henderson was in charge of organizing the guys' performances and coaching

"It came with some obvious challenges—17 high school boys—but they worked hard and understood the purpose of the event and how important it was," Henderson said. "I was so proud of them for preparing their acts and caring so much about how well the event could be if they put some work into it."

Awards are presented to the contestant who raised the most money and earned 1st place in each category. Ultimately the contestant who receives the most points total is named Mr. U-High. Roberto Lopez won awards for raising over \$300 and having the best formal wear. Andrew Loy won 1st place in swimwear and Austin Galindo received 1st place for question & answer, but Brendan Wall took the crown for most points, and was crowned Mr. U-High.

"I was in utter shock when my name was announced. I still can't believe that I won it," Wall said. "There were so many great candidates that there was no obvious winner in my opinion. It was truly an unforgettable night and a great senior year memory."

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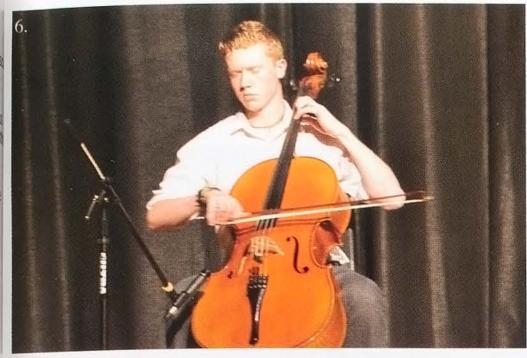


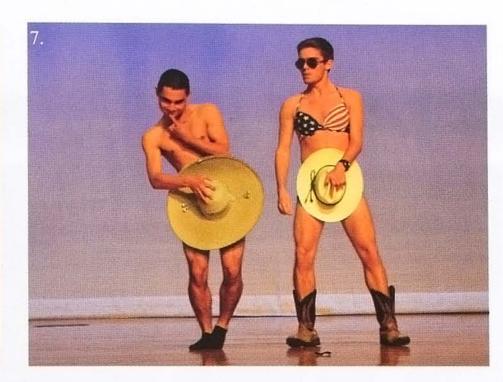
Crowning a New Winner

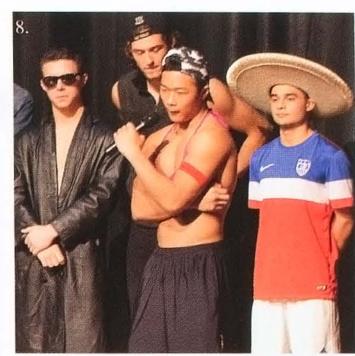
4. Brendan Wall is announced the winner and acknowledges the audience after being crowned Mr. U-High
He is also rewarded the famous green jacket. 5. Posing with peace signs, Alyssa Griesbaun escorts



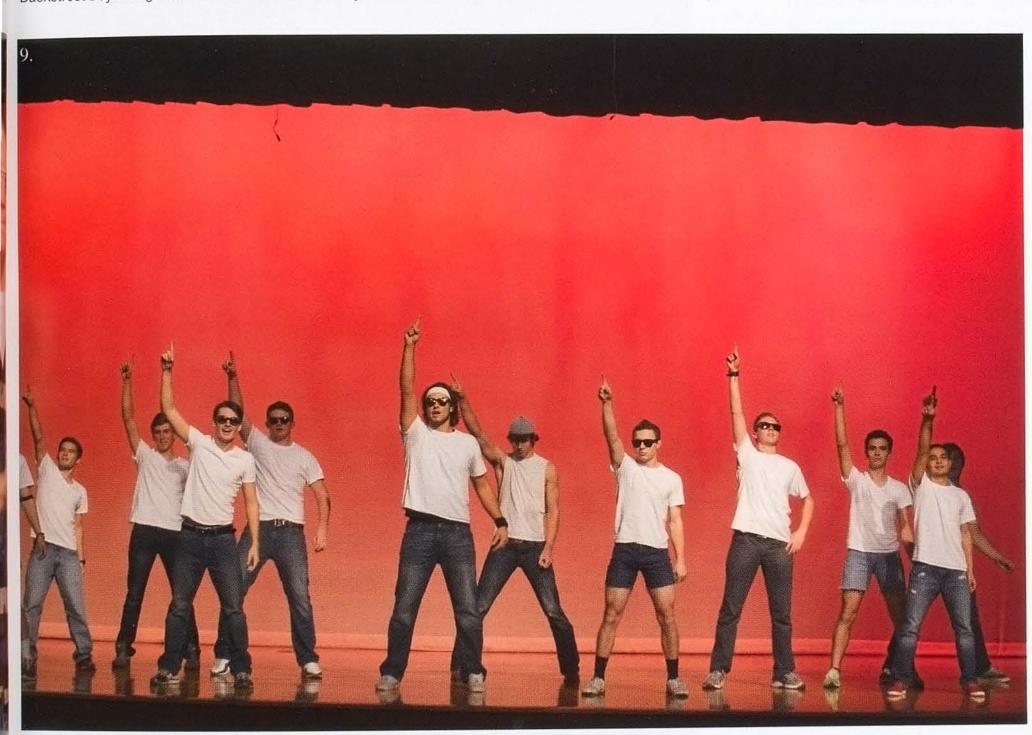
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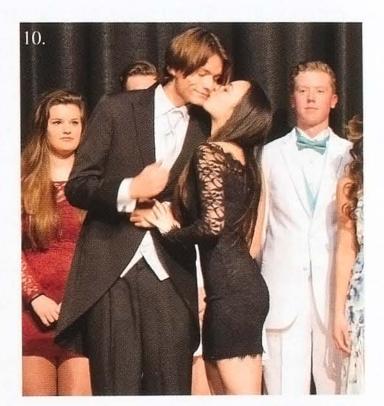


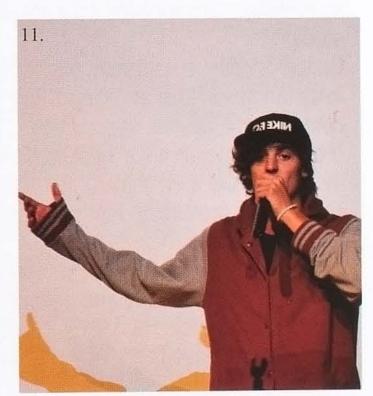




Taking the Stage
6. Ethan Schlenker plays a song on his cello named "Sasha" for his talent. He received 1st place for the talent portion. 7. Dressing "scandalously" for their swimwear portion, Roberto Lopez and Aidan Vaughn hope to win over the judges votes. However, Andrew Loy's left shark costume impressed the judges more. 8. Jordan Ho thinks about his response for the question & answer portion of the competition. He was asked, "If you were to be on the cover of a magazine, which one would you choose?" Ho stared at judge Mr. Von Bruenchenhein and responded "I would want to be on 'VonBae's' magazine." 9. The contestants dance to a Backstreet Boys song titled "Backstreet's Back". They came in from the back of the auditorium to run on stage and dance to a medley of six songs.

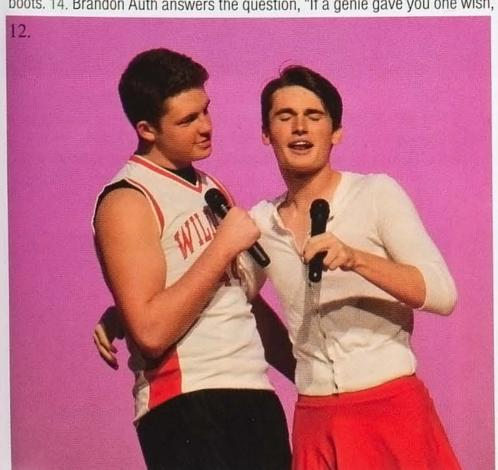


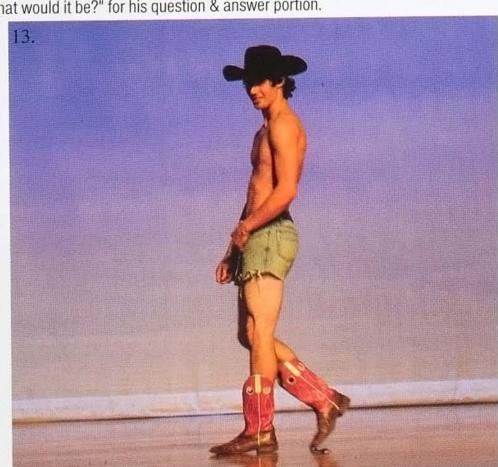


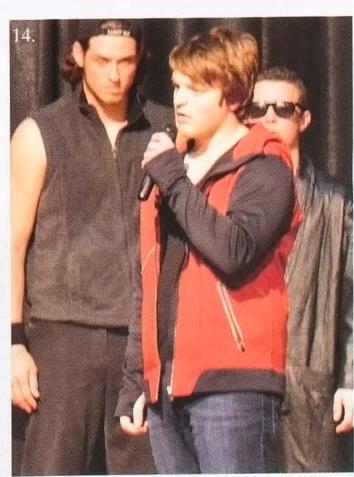


Moves like Jagger

10. Junior Logan Piker escorts Andrew Loy in formalwear, giving him a kiss on the cheek. 11. Performing Macklemore's song "Can't Hold Us", Alberto Testa raps the song in Italian and sings the chorus in English. 12. Logan Wolf and Peyton Penn reenact the famous performance from "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and sings the chorus in English. 12. Logan Wolf and Peyton Penn reenact the famous performance from "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and sings the chorus in English. 12. Logan Wolf and Peyton Penn reenact the famous performance from "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and sings the chorus in English. 12. Logan Wolf and Peyton Penn reenact the famous performance from "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and sings the chorus in English. 12. Logan Wolf and Peyton Penn reenact the famous performance from "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and sings the chorus in English. 12. Logan Wolf and Peyton Penn reenact the famous performance from "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and sings the chorus in English. 12. Logan Wolf and Peyton Penn reenact the famous performance from "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and sings the chorus in English. 13. Logan Wolf and Peyton Penn reenact the famous performance from "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and School Musical "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and School Musical "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and School Musical "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and School Musical "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and School Musical "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and School Musical "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and School Musical "High School Musical" for raps the song in Italian and School Musical "High School Musical" for raps the their talent. They sang "Breaking Free". 13. Taking a different approach for swimwear, Duncan Terry wears jean shorts, a cowboy hat, and pink cowboy boots. 14. Brandon Auth answers the question, "If a genie gave you one wish, what would it be?" for his question & answer portion.







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# Love and Loss in "Almost, Maine"





This year's fall play was "Almost, Maine," a unique production comprised of seven sub-plots, rather than one overarching plot. Individual scenes depicted two characters who almost fell in love or almost fell out of love. The only common relation between scenes was the date, time, and location- Almost, Maine.

"Because of the smaller cast, it really allowed the freshmen to step up and prove that they could handle themselves," senior CeCe Hill said.

"They were really great this year."

Hill performed the character of Marvalyn in the scene titled, "This Hurts."

Thespian director Ben Webb viewed the structure of this play as an opportunity to develop a mentoring system between upper and underclassmen.

"I would give entrances and exits and characterizations," Webb said.
"Then I could send a senior with their scene partner to go work on something and they were actually able to train and work with that student."

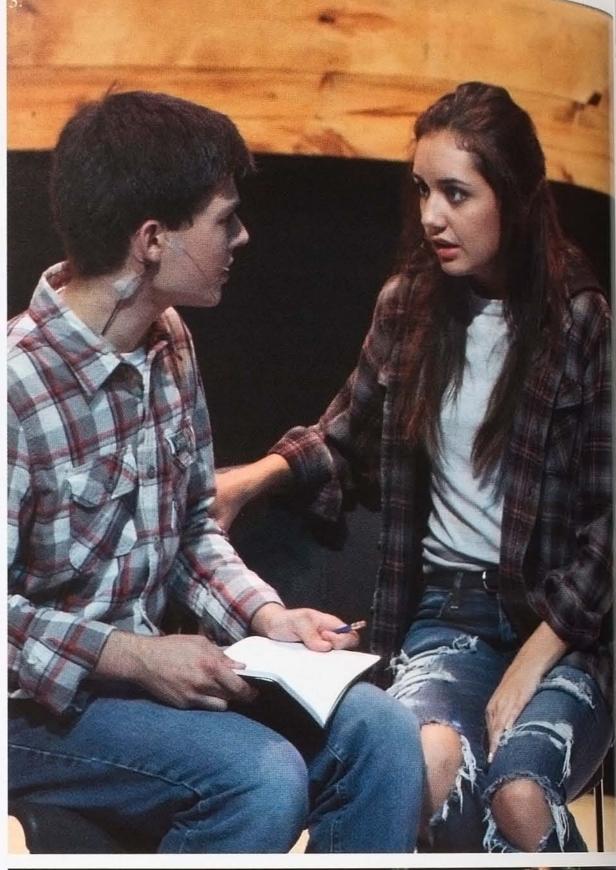
On top of being structurally unique, the play was much more modern in its themes of love and loss. Story lines addressed fears of commitment, missed opportunities, and oblivious crushes.

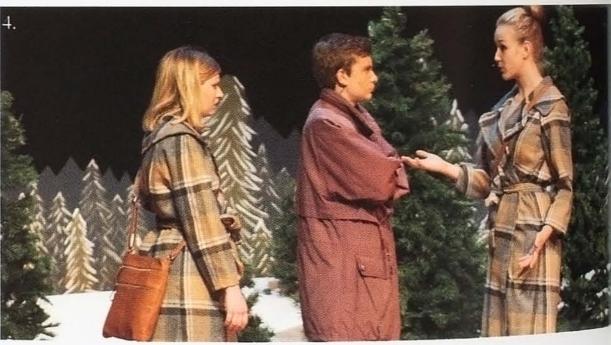
"For the most part it's a lot lighter and a lot happier, and I think a lot more relatable than some of the other shows we've done," Hill said. The set and costuming featured a winter wonderland including the Northern Lights.

"With all the technology integration, the production was one of the most visually appealing and difficult to perform and execute," senior crew member Jade Hassebrock said.

The title may have been "Almost, Maine," but it was a definite success.

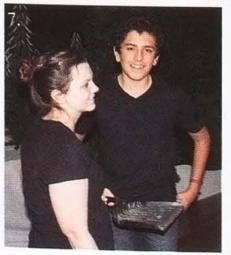
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#### Love 'Almost' Makes Sense

- 1. Pete (Montgomery Winslow) and Ginette (Natalie Thomison) sit as far from each other as possible.
  2. Dave"(Tim Zaitzeff) finally pops the question to long-time girlfriend Rhonda (Logan Piker).
- 3. In the laundry room, Marvalyn (Cece Hill) shares advice with Steve (Jacob Mattia), who can't feel pain advice she should be following herself.
- 4. Brianna Pinter and Isabel Dawson share a role as the past and present versions of Hope as she revisits her decision not to marry Daniel (Adam Schofield).



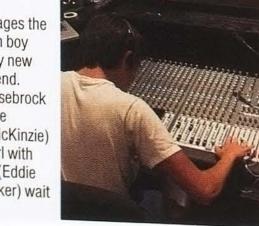


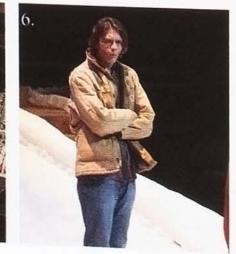


#### "All is Fair"

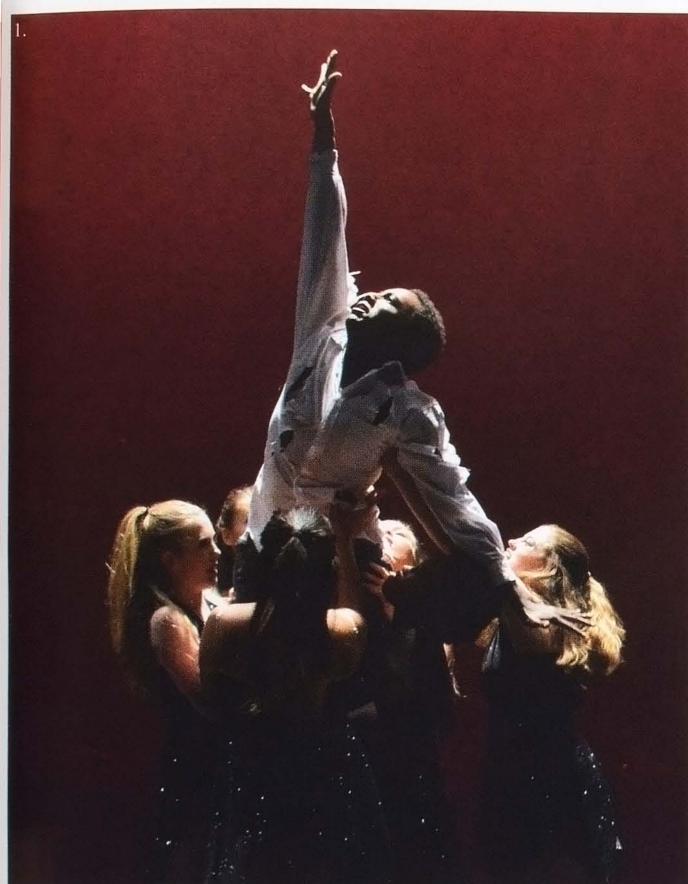
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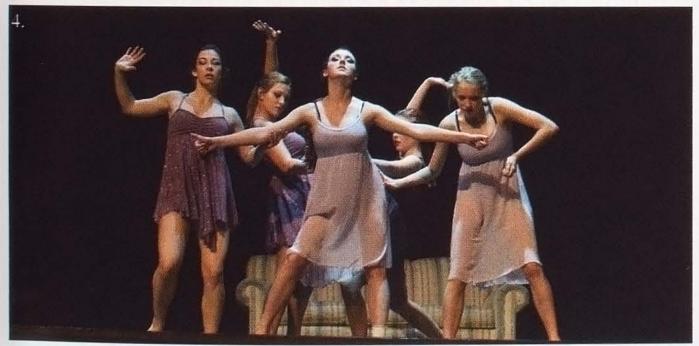
5. Junior Alex Walbert manages the soundboard. 6. All-American boy (Andrew Loy) is confused by new found feelings for is best friend.
7. Crew members Jade Hassebrock and Shawn Taxali behind the scenes. 8. Glory (Caroline McKinzie) portrays a hopeful young girl with her heart in the bag. 9. Phil (Eddie Kelso) and Marci (Ryann Piker) wait for the other shoe to drop.





### Recreating Classics





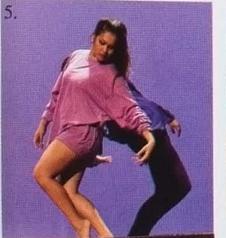
Dancing with Directors

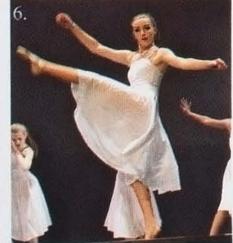
1. Junior Rickey Orr is lifted into the air at the end of the "Vampire Diaries" based performance.

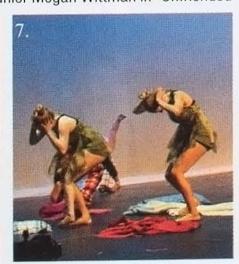
2. "Fight Club" was an intense performance with senior Jillian Campbell, juniors Alexis French, Grace Telling, Danielle Kinsella, Caroline McKinzie and sophomore Julianna Heptinstall.

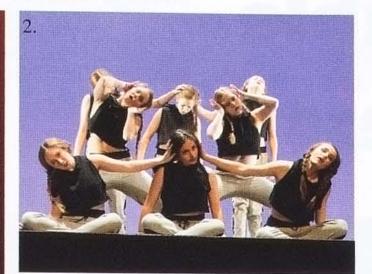
3. "What Will Your Verse Be" starred seniors Margret Cutter, Amanda Martin, Timothy Zaitzeff, and juniors Danielle Kinsella and Megan Wittman.

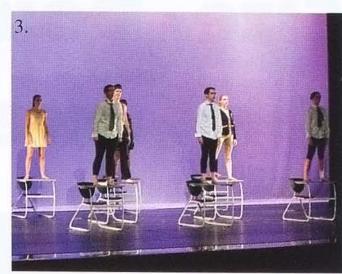
4. Seniors Amanda Martin,, Grace Henderson, Mary Claire Lartz and junior Megan Wittman in "Unfriended"











For twenty years the Orchesis Dance Company has portrayed imagination and emotions in dance. This fall concert theme was film, which required each student to pick a movie to portray in dance. Some examples were "Unfriended", "Finding Neverland", "The Outsiders," "Lovers Eyes," and "Bonnie and Clyde." More involvement by the whole town and the school has created challenges for Orchesis.

"We have at least 20 brand new kids a year," teacher Laurie Merriman said. "They don't know my expectations yet."

Orchesis is a student-choreographed class, so students can enjoy working hard all semester and then are able to perform their own dance.

"Students love being in their own dance but it's better when they are not and get to look at it from the outside," Merriman said.

Junior Megan Wittman has been in Orchesis for three years and a student from another school choreographed her favorite dance from this year. "It was super intense and was about exploring the idea of going crazy, so that was very interesting to portray," Wittman said. She choreographed the dance "Unfriended" and it was just like the film, deep and dark. "I chose "Unfriended" because it was so weird and creepy that it would be fun to explore," Wittman said. Not everyone has a dance background; most students only work on their dance skills in Orchesis.

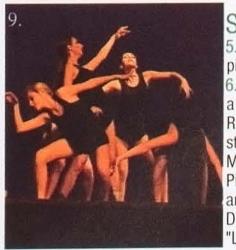
"Everyone was so helpful," said junior Taylor Lindsey, who was new to Orchesis this year. "People were willing to help and people weren't afraid to ask for help."

The talent within the company is not just represented on the stage but also in the behind-the-scenes hours of practice.

"People's eyes don't always go to the best, they go to the ones who are the stellar choreographers," Merriman said. "They also go to who has the most energy."

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Showing off Talents
5. Junior Rosa Rolon performs in a piece based on independent movies.
6. Junior Danielle Kinsella executes a beautiful développé in "Never Really Gone". 7. "Finding Neverland" stars juniors Grace Telling and Megan Wittman. 8. Junior Logan Piker and sophmore Joshua Kuhn are Bonnie and Clyde in "What I'll Do". 9. A large group performs in "Lovers Eyes".

# Double the Size, Double the Success

Bringing Home the Hardware

After an exciting day, captains senior Larissa Webster and junior Gena Mendez hold up their plaque and celebrate a well earned sectional title with their team.
 Senior Larissa Webster joins the hunt for the sectional title during the 500 yard freestyle.



Hard work, team culture, and new blood characterized the girls' swimming and diving season. Brutal double practices and long nights at dual meets led to gratifying end-of-season success, including a sectional title and eight state qualifiers. The season started in the early days of August. "Everyone was excited because it was something new and different," senior captain Larissa Webster said. Each year whether incoming freshman or veteran team member, adapting to the difficult training takes time. "All the freshman were really energetic," sophomore Maya Sorenson added. "They were supportive of everyone even if they weren't getting their way." This made the conditioning easier to handle; with a larger team, cheering and team moral was higher than ever before and relays were full of energy. "I had no idea whal to expect," freshman Summer Will said, adding mid-season was difficult. "The way the training went, it was brutal work. At every meet none of us did very well. That's why it was such a pleasant surprise to win at the end of season." To Will, it seemed Coach Ryan Burroughs knew something the team didn't: the taxing training of mid-season was setting them up for insanely fast swimming. This became evident after the first event of sectionals: the 200 yard medley relay. Comprised of underclassmen swimmers, sophomore Emily Swigart, and freshmen Lillian Culp, Poleena Kovalaske, and Will, the relay claimed the top spot with a time of 1:48.25. Kovalaske also won the 50 free (24.15) and junior captain Gena Mendez took the 100 yard butterfly title (58.17). Senior diver Leslie Walker was also able to compete at Sectionals. "I didn't want to be done. I really enjoy diving and I always had fun," Walker said. At the end of the day the team remains humble, crediting their success to the knowledge and commitment of a great coach. "I think Ryan should get more credit for what he has done," Will said. "He takes this group of swimmers that are all over the place at the beginning of the season. He takes this awesome training and gets us in shape and had us all performing amazing at sectionals."

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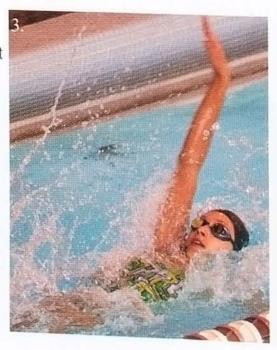
#### Making Waves

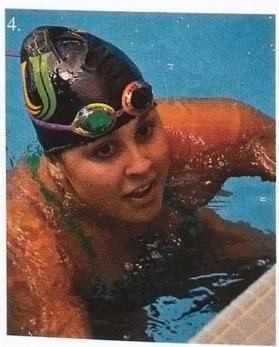
3. During her 100 yard backstroke at the BHS Invite, sophomore Maya Sorenson pushes towards the final turn

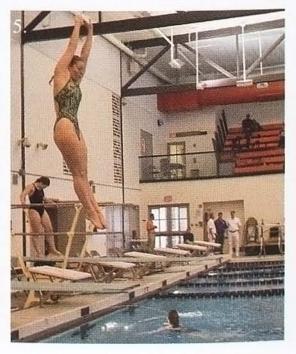
4. Junior Gena Mendez searches hopefully for her final time on the scoreboard after a taxing race.

5. Mid-air, senior Leslie Walker makes the most of her final meet as a U-High diver.

6. Freshman Lillian Culp glides effortlessly through the water during her 100 yard breastroke.













# Crowd Pleasing 1. The color guard practices its routine in Horton Fieldhouse before a football game. 2. Junior drum major Paige Maffett leads the marching band through its rendition of "Space"

Oddity" by David Bowie. 3. Junior Rosa Rolon plays her trumpet during a halftime show.

### Dark Side of the U

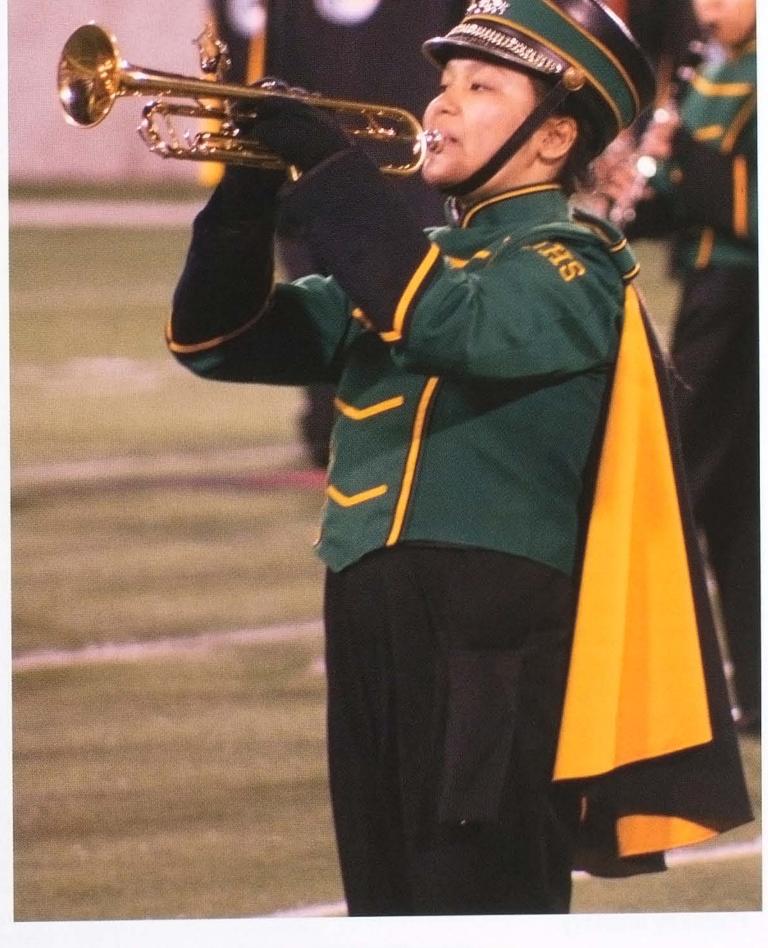
Proving their brightness through their production of "The Dark Side of the Moon", the members of marching band and color guard delivered unforgettable performances. "I chose The Dark Side of the Moon because it was enjoyable and challenging," band teacher Jason Landes said. "I loved the music, I loved the theme, and it had great arrangements." Based on the music of 70's greats Pink Floyd, David Bowie, and Van Morrison, the show differed from a traditional marching band performance. "We were able to use sound effects, recordings, and even a big black sheet that was raised over us as we passed behind the dark side of the moon," senior color guard captain Makenzie Houston said.

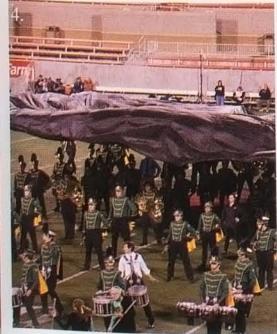
With a contemporary touch on an older style of music, the show yielded a more modern vibe, one that senior drum major Cole Bateman felt allowed the band to "get with the times." The team worked hard to perform its show at halftime of football games and competitions throughout the year. They placed second overall at the Pontiac Indian Showdown, also winning best percussion.

Even though the results may not have turned out the way they'd hoped, the year still proved to be an enjoyable one. "All in all, it was a lot of fun," said senior Ryan Adams. The band enjoyed a lively and tight-knit atmosphere, which Adams described as "the best it's ever been."

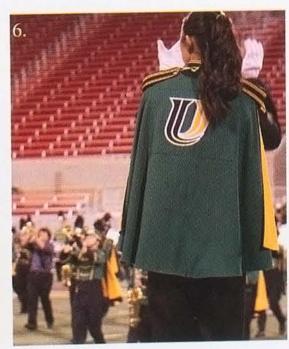
Nine band members were named to the District Honor Band, with Bateman receiving All-State honors and Christina Su being named to the National Honor Band. The band and color guard also marched in the Illinois State University Homecoming Parade, Labor Day Parade, and Santa Parade and enjoyed a trip to Orlando, Florida where they performed at the Russell Bowl and marched in the Universal Parade with other high schools from around the country.

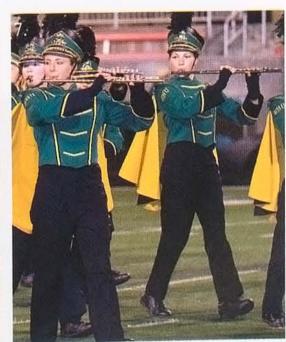
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#### Hosting Halftime

4. The marching band represents darkness by covering themselves with a black tarp during a powerful halftime performance.

 Senior Makenzie Houston twirls her skirt to the beat of the music.
 Senior Drum Major Kristin Koe conducts the halftime show performance.

7. Playing their flutes, freshman Selah Schieber and sophomore Andrina Alvarado march across the field during their performance.

# Swinging Ahead





Topping off this year's accomplishments, which include winning regionals and going to state, will be difficult task for the boys' golf team next year. The 16 golfers won five tournaments and consisted of one senior, five juniors, five sophomores, and four freshman. The team was able to win both conference and regionals and progressed to state.

"It was really exciting to go to state this year," senior Alex Totten said. "I'm really happy how we did!"

At conference, sophomore Tony Palumbo won with a score of 73. "As a sophomore it was a great feeling to win, I look forward to my future years here at U-High." Palumbo said.

The team won five of the 19 matches this fall. Dallas Koth led the team with the lowest score of the season, 71. The team was led by Alex Totten, the team's sole senior.

"I had a lot of fun with the team this year and look forward to seeing them do great next year," Totten said.

Totten is planning to play tennis in college, but is also looking for an opportunity to play golf. Meanwhile his younger teammates are already planning for their future.

"Big things are coming next year. We are going to build on this season and be even better next year," junior Dylan Panizo said. "At U- High there is a winning tradition in the golf program, we want to bring that back and we want to bring a state championship back to U-High." The team prepares for an exciting year next year as they have built a promising line-up.

"I think we have a really good chance at winning a lot of matches next year," Palumbo said. The varsity team consisted of six players: Alex Totten, Dallas Koth, Tony Palumbo, Dylan Panizo, Alex Kullman, and Ethan Huynh and the junior varsity team consisted of ten players. "It's been a great experience getting to know everyone better," Totten said.

Story by Christian Prenzler Photos by Brian Fry





Driving Forward

- 1. Junior Dylan Panizo tees off at hole four at ISU's Weibring Golf Course at state finals. Panizo looks to lead the team back to state next year.
- 2. Staring down the line of his putt, Alex Kullman concentrates on his next stroke.
- 3. Senior Alex Totten hits a shot onto the green at the state tournament.
- 4. Chipping onto the green, sophomore Tony Palumbo follows through his shot.

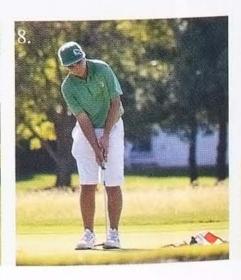


- 5. Sophomore Dallas Koth sets up to hit the ball.
- 6. Junior Dylan Panizo puts the ball on the green.
- 7. Putting into the hole is freshman Ethan Huynh
- 8. Sophomore Anthony Palumbo putts the ball into the hole.
- 9. Junior Beau Hendren tees off.







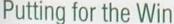




### One to Remember







- 1. Senior captain Kara Henry watches her ball after hitting her approach shot on Senior Night.
- 2. Senior Hannah Foley putts hole 8 at Ironwood Golf Course.
- 3. Henry tees off on a par 3 hole, hoping it will land on the green.
- 4. On Senior Night, junior Quinn Johnson putts one in on hole 6 at Ironwood. Johnson and junior Sarah Park plan on leading their younger teammates in the next season.







Less pressure, more fun was the mindset of this season, differing from years past. The girls wanted to enjoy themselves on the course, something that translated into their game. Despite losing the top four golfers from last season, the girls were all able to improve. Only having two varsity players return, seniors Kara Henry and Hannah Foley, made it even harder.

"Individually, people improved 5-6 strokes," captain Henry said. The seniors helped out with some of the younger players and made them feel welcome.

"They took me under their wings," freshman Maddison Murphy said. She also said joking around together in the car was her favorite part of the season.

The girls placed second in regionals, qualifying for sectionals as a team, but Murphy was the only one to make it to state. The best moment for her was making the final putt in a playoff to advance her to state, where she played her best round. At Senior Night against the Intercity schools, senior Margaret Cutter shot her career high to help the team win. Cutter has played golf all four years at U-High but wasn't on varsity until her senior year.

"The season was relaxed, we laughed a lot, but we were able to build up skills and everyone improved," Cutter said.

The girls also have many fun traditions throughout the year.

"The best part of the season is practice rounds where we play the course and hang out with the team," Henry said.

These rounds are for practiced at away sites when preparing for regionals and sectionals. Henry also recalled their sleepover after tryouts where they had a team cookout. With many fun memories the girls say the season was nice playing for fun, with little pressure. "I got a lot closer with everyone and I was close friends with everyone," Cutter said. "Seasons past it was more competitive, rank didn't matter this year."

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Hitting the Links

- 5. Hitting from the fairway, Henry
- looks to see her ball land.
- 6. Sophomore Melissa Reiss tees off and watches her ball.
- 7. Senior Margaret Cutter putts on senior night at Ironwood Golf
- 8. Freshman Maddison Murphy
- powers through a drive. Foley lines up to hit a drive.

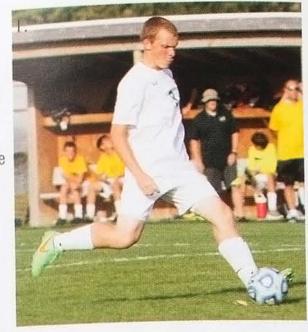
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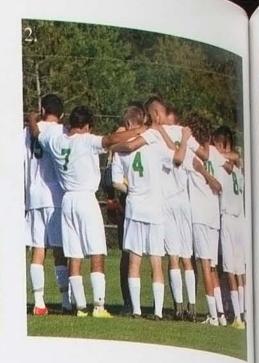
#### Clinical Finishers

1. After a defensive stop against Dunlap, senior Tyler Oitker clears the ball past midfield. A jam-packed senior team scored a total of 88 goals throughout the season.

2. The team comes in for a huddle after winning their last regular season game. The entire team had a total of 105 goals.

3. Senior Matt Napolitano looks for the open teammate during a home game. Napolitano went on to score one goal and have one assist in the All-State game.





Their magic number was 24.

More specifically, 24-0-1. Which was a phenomenal turnaround from last year's rough 7-10-5 season. Led by coach Jeremy Stanton, this 2015 Pioneer soccer team set a new school record for longest winning streak and most wins in a season, a number only marred by a single tie with top-ranked Peoria Notre Dame.

"We changed our leadership and brought people into the team instead of separating into different little groups," senior captain Matt Napolitano said. "We became a family this year and that helped us turn around from last season."

The team gained momentum throughout the season, roaring on to claim the Intercity title, receive the number one state ranking in their class, and to be listed as 14th in the nation. However, their perfect season ended abruptly when they fell short in a 3-2 loss to Peoria Christian in the 2A Sectional Championship game.

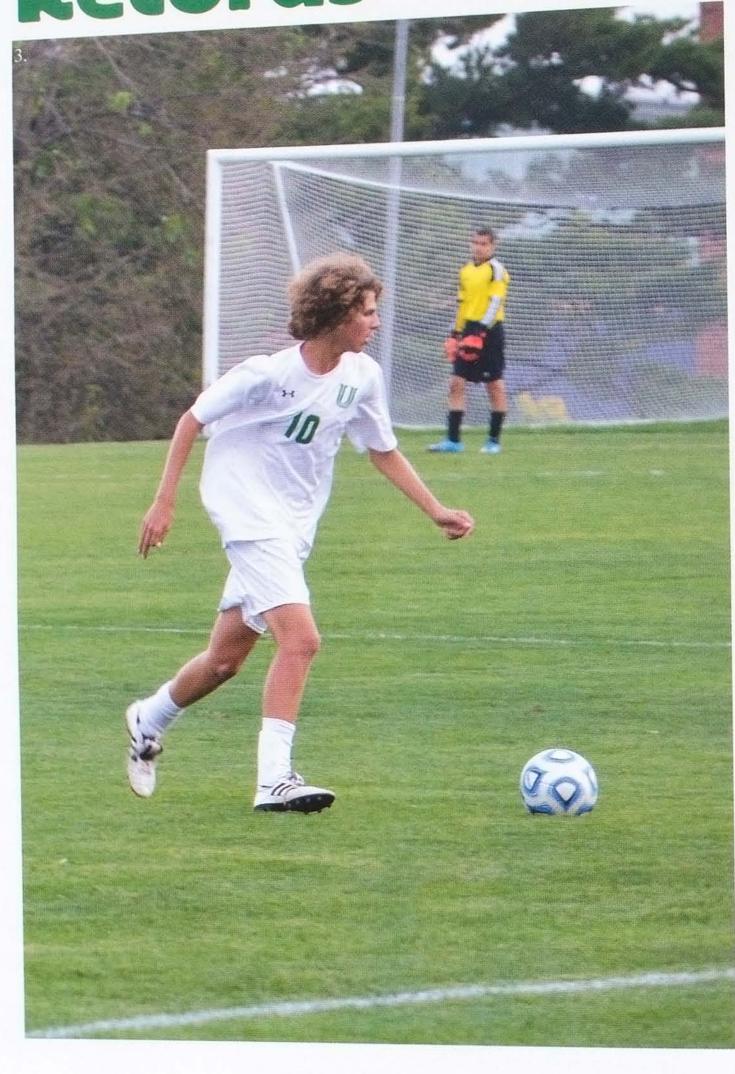
"It was very emotional," senior Michael Juarez said. "It was sad to play my last high school game and to wear that Pioneer jersey for the last time."

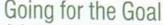
The team as a whole benefited from individual successes with 15 players scoring at least one goal; however, several seniors stood out among a team of stars. Napolitano led the Intercity schools in goals and assists, was named the Pantagraph Player of the Year, and was the only local player to be named to the All-State team. Senior teammates Calum Smith and Juarez also had the honor of being named to the All-Sectional team.

Despite losing a number of key seniors, the team hopes to continue their success for the next year.

"I hope to see them be just as successful as we were this year, if not more," Smith said.

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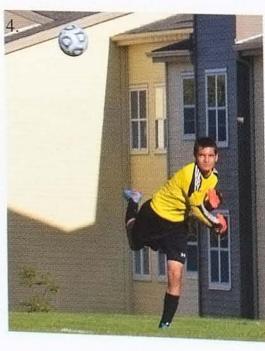


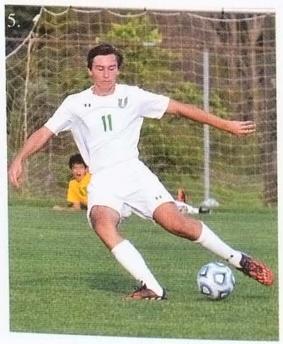
4. Sophomore goalie Christian Lopez throws the ball back to the midfield after a save. Lopez had 15 shutouts and only allowed 12 goals all season.

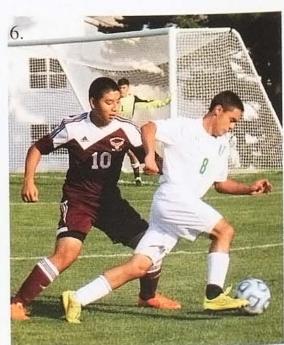
5. Before sending it down the field, senior Zach Ciesielski gains control of the ball.

6. Senior Robbie Lopez breaks away from a Dunlap defender before firing a strike at the goal.

7. Taking aim at the goal, senior Calum Smith squares up against Dunlap at home.













#### Future-focused

 This year's top six players consisted of three underclassmen, including sophomore Anna Huber.

 Freshman Katherine Raycraft prepares to volley while senior Christina Su serves.
 "Christina always helped me improve and she was always really positive," Raycraft said.

3. Su lines up before blasting a backhand over the net. "Christina is a leader," coach Catherine Butts said. "She does things the right way without having to be asked.

# Starting from Scratch

Coaches Catherine Butts and Tom Whiting agree, an influx of new tennis players this year brought the team together. "It was a challenge, but it made it more fun," Butts said. "Everybody brought a sense of humor and a sense of humility." The team's size has increased with almost 30 players this year. Whiting believes that part of what attracted so many new players is the team's atmosphere. "They just have fun. That's what we've been about," he said. "If it weren't fun, we wouldn't have that

many girls come out."

Despite their inexperience, players jumped in with both feet.
"They were competitive, having fun, and going all out," Butts said. During competitive drills, "some of them would go absolutely crazy."

They displayed this motivation on one weekend in particular when the varsity team got second at a tournament and JV won. "Not many teams can do that well with an inexperienced JV team and a young varsity team," Whiting said.

At the State Championship, sophomore doubles team Grace Matheis and Anna Huber won one match and senior Christina Su won a place in the top 32.

"It's been my goal since freshman year to make it to the second day," Su said.

Su and Butts initially concluded that she would have to beat too many strong players to achieve this impressive goal. "Christina's draw didn't look great, but she played amazing," Butts said. She overcame difficult odds to earn her spot in the top 32 and the opportunity to play on Friday. "We didn't have clothes for Friday, so we had to go to TJ Maxx and Target," Butts said.

Despite her individual success, Su has kept both feet firmly on the ground. The first thing she said to Butts after winning third place at sectionals and being crowned Homecoming Queen was "I'm so excited that Grace and Anna qualified!" Butts recalled. "Why is she a leader? Her first thought is never about herself."

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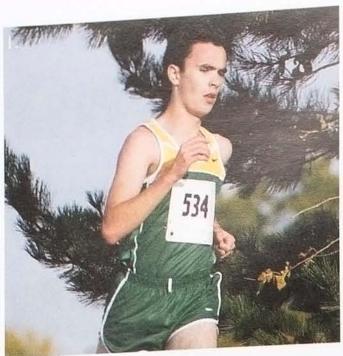
#### Good Chemistry

4. Junior Jess Huber and senior Melody Benyamin pose during a match. "The girls got along great," Coach Butts said.

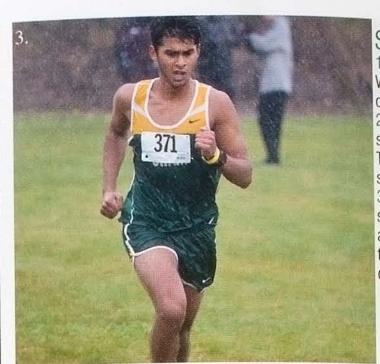
Su crushes a serve.

6. Benyamin chases a drop shot.
The team often shouted "'Hoco legs!'
for motivation while running,"
Coach Butts said.

7. Sophomore Grace Matheis drills a forehand. Matheis and doubles partner Anna Huber hope to return to state in future seasons.







Seniors Making Strides

1. Making a sharp turn, senior Brendan
Wall picks up speed coming around the
Corner at the U-High invite.

2. Senior Madigan Landess makes a
strong finish at the Aurora Invitational
This race was Landess' last of the
season due to a foot injury.

3. Despite the poor weather conditions,
senior Cameron Herbert pushes through
at the sectional meet. The boys team
took second place at sectionals and
qualified for the state meet

# Fresh Faces, Fast Feet

With a new cross country season comes new challenges- one of which is adapting to a new team. Fortunately, this year's group of freshman proved themselves fit for the challenge. Among them were freshmen standouts Zach Wolford and Emmy Mussey. Wolford, a state champion runner in middle school, knew the bar had been set high.

"The distance is three miles now instead of two, so I didn't really know where I would be," Wolford said. "I finished my first race and realized I could actually compete with some of the guys who have been running in high school for three or four years now."

Mussey was most excited to be part of a team that was so accepting of new runners.

"Everyone was really welcoming and supportive," Mussey said. "No matter what your speed was, they encouraged you to do your best, but knew what your limits were."

Because of the youth of the team, head coach Lester Hampton relied on the team captains to demonstrate leadership and be good role models for the younger team members.

"I was so proud of my seniors," Hampton said. "To be honest, I didn't know what to expect and probably the greatest thing as a coach is when the leadership is better than you could've expected."

According to junior Jack Franklin, the transition for the freshmen into high school cross country was smoother than in past years.

"They blended in really well with our team," Franklin said. "There wasn't really an 'underclassmen-upperclassmen thing;' We all just worked together."

The talent of the new herd became obvious when both teams reclaimed their sixth consecutive Intercity championship titles in addition to taking second at the conference championship. Franklin led the boys' team to state, individually winning both regionals and sectionals, and taking 6th place at the state meet with a time of 14:42, shattering the school record. The girls' team ran together at the sectional meet where senior Shannan Supan qualified individually for state. Supan encourages the younger members to keep running, especially during their first few years in high school.

"It helped starting at a younger age-it makes you want to go out every year. It formed a deeper love for running," Supan said. "You can't really explain why you love running, you just do."

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Glory to the Girls

4. Senior Shannan Supan crosses the line with a strong finish at the sectional cross country meet. Supan was the only state qualifier for the girls' team and plans to continue her running career as a Panther at Eastern Illinois University next year. 5. The girls' varsity team, led by junior Advika Kamatar, took second place at the Cornbelt Conference meet at Eureka Lake.







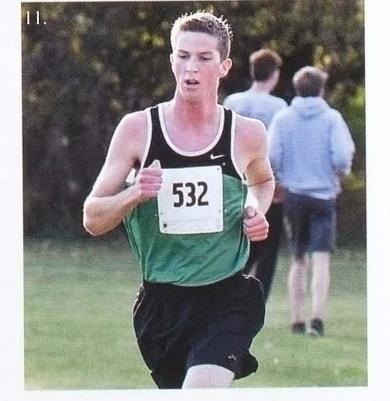


"Ahhhhhh U!"

6. The team celebrates after winning their sixth consecutive Intercity titles on both the boys and girls side. 7. Senior Jordan Ho picks up his knees, ready to make a strong finish at his last U-High invite. 8. Upon completing the final race of their running careers, seniors Brittany Adams and Mary Spaulding are all smiles. 9. The boys' varsity team takes the line at sectionals, mentally preparing for a cold and rainy run.



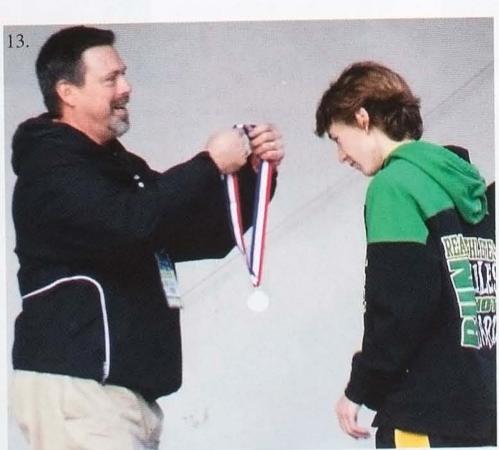




Three C's: Community, Celebration, and Champions

10. The girls team lets out a cheer before taking their places at the starting line at the Intercity meet. 11. Senior Mason Bray takes off in a dash to the finish line at the U-High invite. 12. The seniors pose in their pajamas and new scarves at the annual pre-conference carb dinner. 13. Junior Jack Franklin accepts his sixth place medal with a smile at the IHSA State cross country meet. 14. Senior Aidan Vaughn sprints the last leg towards the finish line at the Intercity meet.







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# Leaving It All on the Court

With eight returning players, the season began with a strong bond throughout the team. Among this team of twelve there are seven seniors, five of whom have played in the program all four years. The Pioneers started out their season with an exciting home opener victory against Bloomington High School.

"They are a huge rival for us," senior Carly Davis said. "It was definitely a confidence booster for our team and an amazing feeling to finally beat them." Davis formerly attended BJHS before coming to U-High, giving this game a little more meaning for her.

The past experience the seniors have gained throughout the years led to an energetic season.

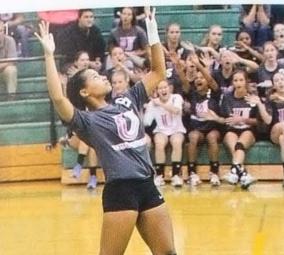
"I think it made the season that much more enjoyable," senior captain Spencer Smiley said. "We all bonded and meshed so well, because this was our last year. It just made all of us want to play every game like it was our last."

The team raised over \$700 for their annual Volley for the Cure game this year. Fundraising wasn't the team's only success; they also made it to the sectional final game against Metamora, going down in three games. The Lady Pioneers finished their season with a record of 24-13, they finished gold in two of their tournaments, won the Regional Championship, and finished the season in the Sweet Sixteen. With only five returning varsity players for next year, coach Karen Valouche brought up three JV players at the end of the regular season.

"For postseason play, I can carry a team of 15 players," Valouche said. "Knowing that seven seniors were graduating, this enabled more athletes to experience postseason play."

Although this was Valouche's last season as a coach, she will still be a counselor at U-High and looks forward to watching the program continue to grow. "I really didn't make the decision until the season was over," Valouche said. "I have loved my time coaching at U-High and will definitely miss being with the kids."

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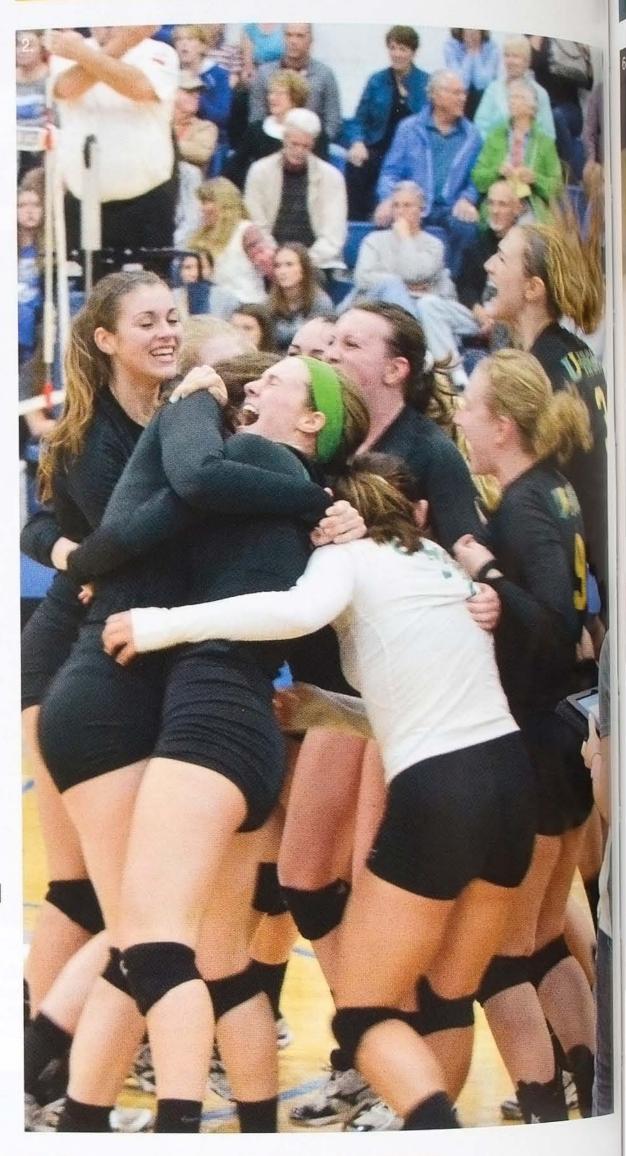


Proving Them Wrong

1. Junior Janelle McDowell serves during the annual Volley for the Cure game.

2. The team gets excited after winning the Sectional semi final game. This game took them to the Sectional Championship game against Metamora where their successful season ended. Senior Spencer Smiley said,

"The toughest part had to be ending our season. That last game was tough and I would do anything to play with my team just one more game."









One Last Shot 3. Senior Carly Davis sets up senior Michelle Styczinski for a kill in sectionals against Limestone High School. 4. Junior Jamie Walling going up for a kill with the help of senior Laura Dulee. Walling was named the team MVP this

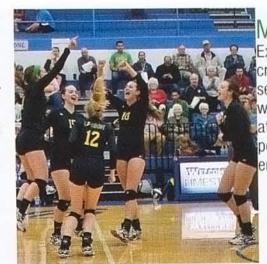
season. 5. Senior captain Spencer Smiley gets in ready position to recieve the serve. "This had to be the best team chemistry! have had on any team I have played with." Smiley said.



In for the Long Run Senior Kelsey Valouche puts up a block during the Volley for the Cure game. Valouche has been in the volleyball program all four years along with fellow seniors Laura Dulee, Elyse Standard, Carly Davis, and Michelle Stycznski.

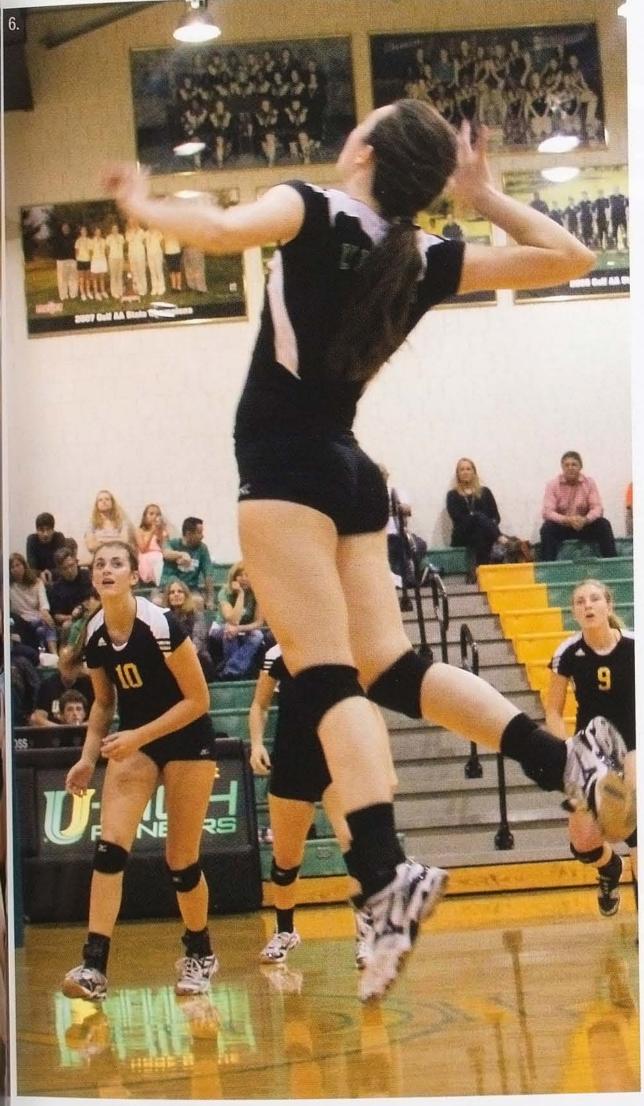


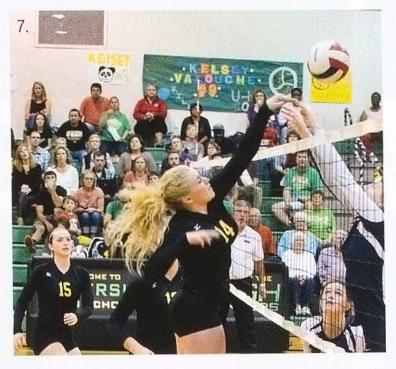
Switching It Up Gaining some height for a big hit, junior Hannah Lane makes solid contact to get the ball over the net. Taking on a different role this year, Lane moved from being a setter to a right side

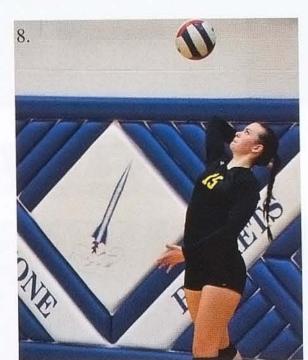


Motivated

Excitement fills the court after a crucial point was scored in the sectional semi-final game. It was the team's goal to cheer after every point in order to keep positivity and guarantee high energy levels.





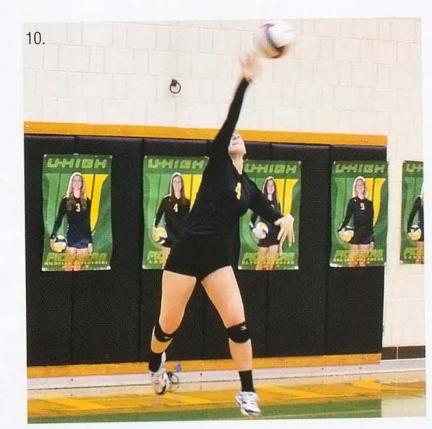


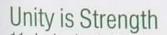


Going in for the Kill 6. Going up for a hit, senior Elyse Standard gains height while teammates cover her swing. Standard was one of two senior captains this season.

7. Senior Lauren Cole swipes the ball around the block. Cole returned to play this year after taking a year off. 8. Junior Abbie Seward serves in the sectional game. Seward has been on varsity since she was a freshman. 9. The team lines up and locks pinkies while the Star Spangled Banner is played during a home game 10. Senior Laura Dulee starts of the

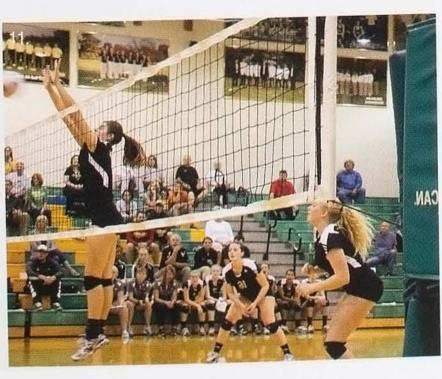
game strong with a serve on Senior Night.

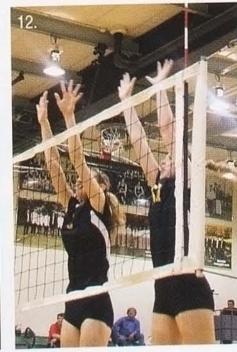




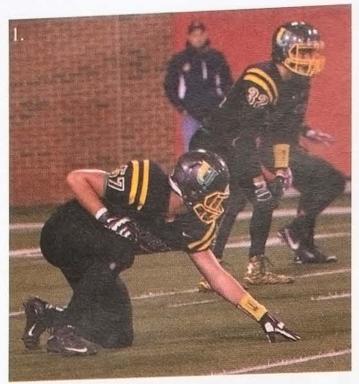
11. Junior Jamie Walling goes up at the net while junior Abbie Seward and senior Lauren Cole get ready for a potential dig. 12. Senior Michelle Styczinski and junior Hannah Lane jump to block

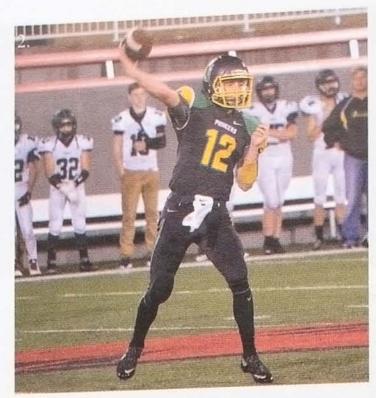
during a home game. 13. Seniors Carly Davis, Lauren Cole, Kelsey Valouche, sophomore Amber Juarez, and juniors Janelle McDowell and Jaime Walling cheer on their teammates from the bench during the Volley for the Cure game.

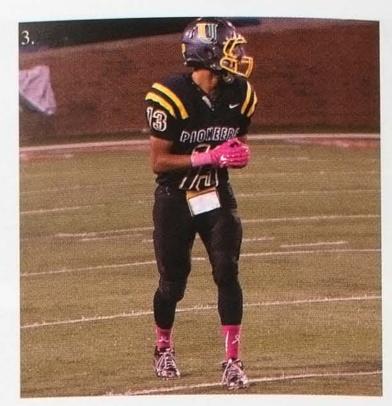












# Team of All Ages 1. Seniors Logan Wolf and Duncan Terry get in their ready postions as the ball is about to be snapped during the Homecoming game against Pontiac.

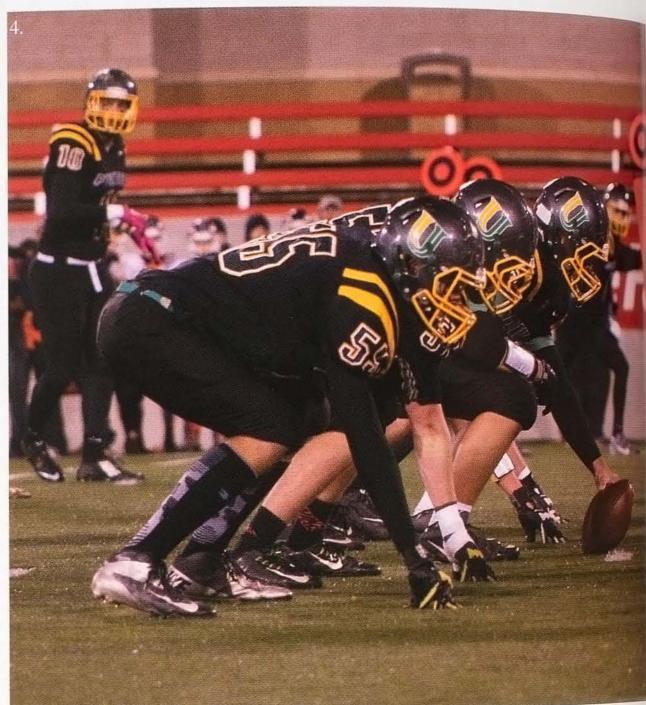
2. Finding the open receiver, sophomore quarterback Doug Holmes fires a pass.

3. Setting up on the line of scrimmage, junior Emanuel Bada waits for the ball to be snapped.

## New Team, Same Goal

The Pioneer football team had a lot of new roles to fill for the 2015 season, new talent came in. Coach Mike Troll used a two platoon system, two full lineups and you only play offense or defense. "The platoon system was good for us as a team because it prepared the younger guys," Troll said. "The young guys playing 5A football was unbelievable the hard work and dedication put in the offseason made this possible." At running back, senior Joseph Hughes led the offense. Hughes led the team in rushing yards and scored the most rushing touchdowns. The Pioneers had to find a new quarterback this year, so sophomore Doug Holmes stepped up and took the duty. Coach Troll, along with other players said he just kept on getting better throughout the season. Holmes, being his first year on the varsity football team, had a lot to learn. Troll said he learned fast. "I thought Doug did a great job considering how young we were up front," Troll said. "People don't remember how few of interceptions he had along with fumbles." Austin Galindo, an Illinois State University commit, was one of the key contributors for the defense as a defensive end, as well as being a tight end on offense. Galindo made the most of his final season, Galindo played many positions, including the kicker and punter. Galindo's energy was vital for the Pioneers. "Beating Mahomet was one of the best parts of the year," Galindo said reflecting on the season. "Even though we didn't set any records or anything, there is no other school I would want to play for on Friday nights." The Pioneers started their season off with a big victory at Urbana High School, but the following week they took a tough loss to rival Central Catholic. That did not stop senior Duncan Terry from making the most of his final season. "The best part of the season was seeing everyone come together as a family even in our last game when we lost to Peoria," Terry says, "We all cried but we supported each other and made lifelong bonds." The Pioneers ended their regular season at 6-3 and made the playoffs for the fifth straight year. The Pioneers suffered a first-round loss to conclude the season. "I wouldn't change a thing," Terry said on the season. "Even if we won or lost, each game taught each other a lesson."

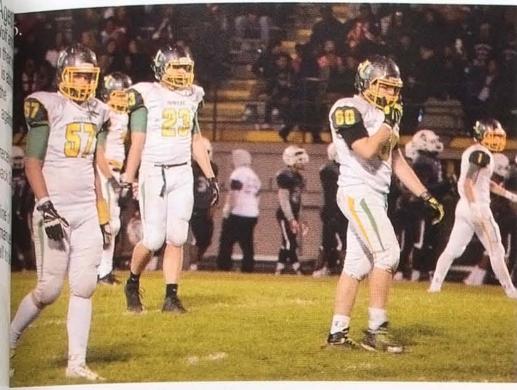
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Ready for Action

4. Offensive linemen sophomore Mark Widdel, freshman Braden Woods and senior Alex Walker get in three-point stance as the ball is about to be snapped at a home game against Pontiac. 5. Holding hands before stepping on the field while honoring America, senior captains Duncan Terry, Logan Wolf, Joseph Hughes, and Austin Galindo take the field before their last home game.



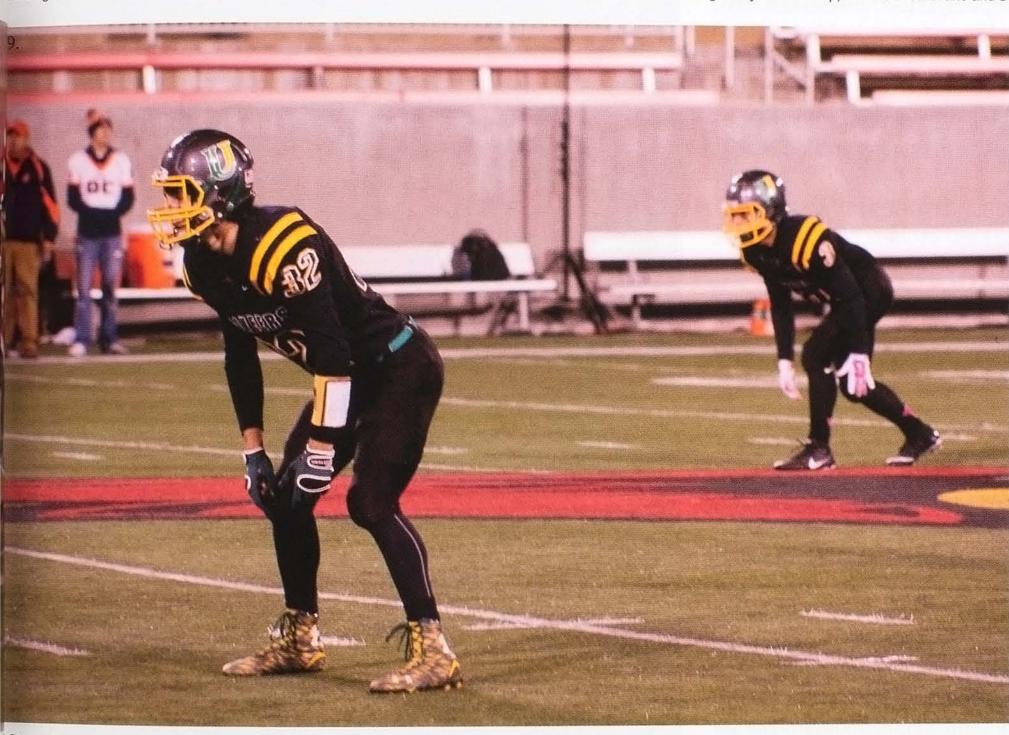


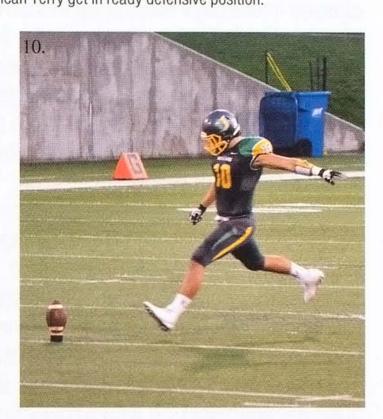


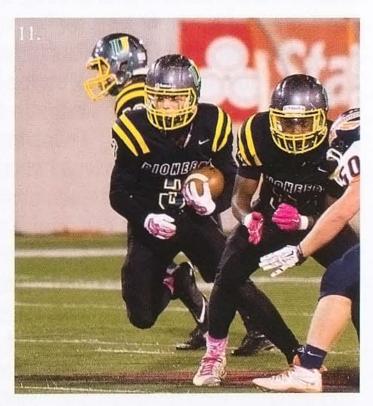


Preparation and Dedication

5. Seniors Logan Wolf and Peyton Penn, junior Nathaniel Ummel and sophomore Cole Tandy prepare for the next play during a playoff game at Peoria High School. 7. Offensive linemen freshman Braden Woods, sophomores Cole Tandy, Andy Mersh and John Merna, and seniors Skylar Bunton and Logan Wolf warm up and practice their punt coverage during a home game against Eureka. 8. Before heading back on to the field against Eureka, junior Nate Robinson gets some last minute tips and a high-five from Coach Troll. 9. Getting ready for the snap, seniors Brett Drake and Duncan Terry get in ready defensive position.



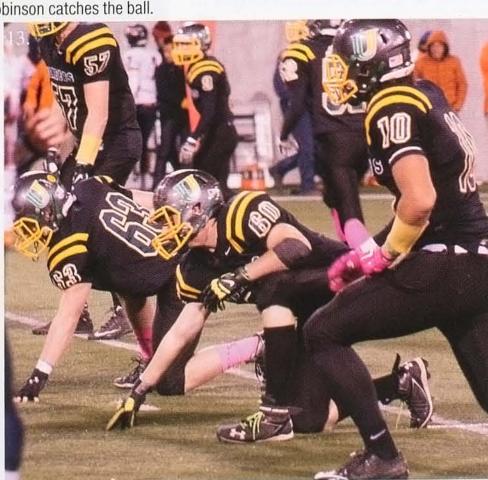




Shocking the Nation

10. Senior Austin Galindo winds up for the kick during the opening kickoff during a game against Eureka. 11. Following his lead block, senior Brett Drake rushes for a first down. 12. Senior running back Joseph Hughes pushes away from a Pontiac defender to break away for a touchdown. 13. Defensive line of the property of the pro linemen, seniors Skylar Bunton and Austin Galindo and junior Nathaniel Ummel get in their ready stance before they make a stop against Pontiac at home. 14. Leaping for pass thrown during a home game against Pontiac, junior Nate Robinson catches the ball.







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# Going for the Gold





The eighth Greek Olympic Gladiator games take over the freshman classes in the days leading up to Thanksgiving break. After weeks of learning about Ancient Greece in the freshman program classes, these freshmen put their skills to the test to see which block reigns supreme. This event supplements the curriculum for Social Science and English, which incorporate Greek themes into their lesson plans. During this unit, the students study Sophocles' Antigone in English and learn about Ancient Greece in World Studies.

"We talk about the Olympics, battles, war and strategies. We would design the armor based off something studied in class," freshman World Studies teacher Kate Pole said. "The events themselves are supposed to model the events that would have happened in the Olympics." The students participate in events such as the cheer contest, modeling of armor, chariot race, javelin toss, Greek food relay and many more. "My favorite event was the chariot race," gold team's Julia Herrman said. "It was a really fast-paced event and since it was the first event everyone was really excited." After an intense back-andforth battle between Maggy Proctor's black team and Kate Pole's gold team, the gold team came out on top to win their third Greek Olympic title. "It was very exciting," Herrman said "Everyone was screaming and jumping up and down." Following the gold team was English teacher Ben Webb's white team who "snuck in" to receive second place. And after a long battle the black team then received their bronze medals. Though the Greek Olympics is a battle between the classes at the end of the day the class grows stronger as a whole through teamwork, hard work and sportsmanship. "That's what makes the Greek Olympics so special," Pole said. "Every student in the freshman class participates to bring the class together as a whole." Gold team's Dylan Chambers was especially thrilled with the hard work and perseverance his team had. "I felt excited to win because we got to work together as a team," Chambers said.

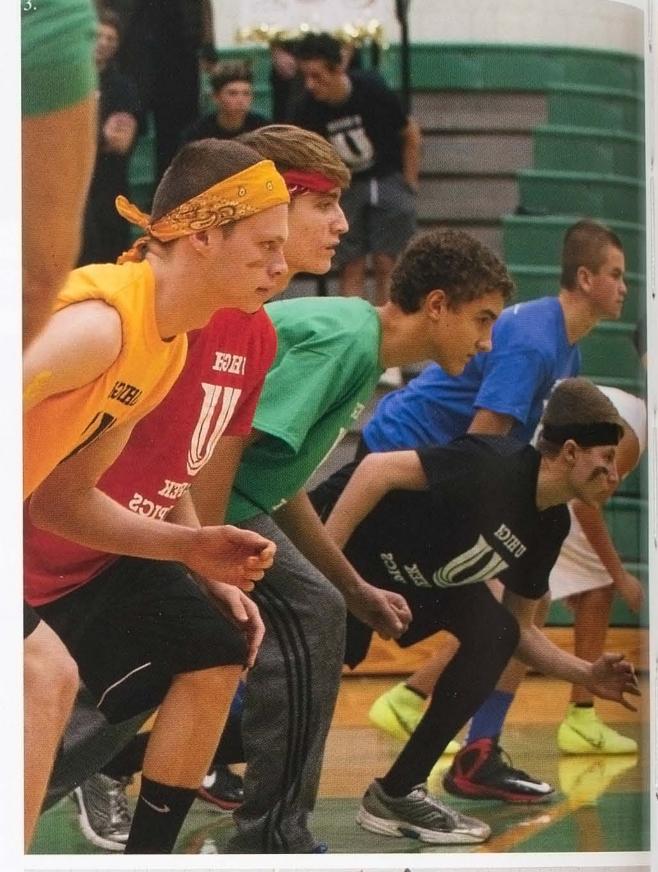
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#### Let the Games Begin

5. Green team's Christian Amble shows off his armor. 6. Using all his strength, Jack Lindstrom throws his "javelin". 7. Teammate Jack Sauser cheers on Colin Poultney in the food eating contest. 8. Olivia Cramer pulls Samantha Spain in the chariot race. 9. Leaping for victory, gold team's Jessica McDowell clears her long jump.









Racing for Victory

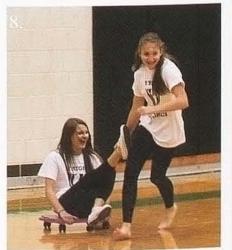
1. Dragging the wrestling dummy past the finish line, Nathan Torres finishes strong in the wrestling

2. Boston Cooper pumps his fist after getting another trivia question correct while white team's Isabel Cutting looks on in disbelief.

3. Concentrating on the race ahead, freshman boys get ready at the start before the 100 meter dash.

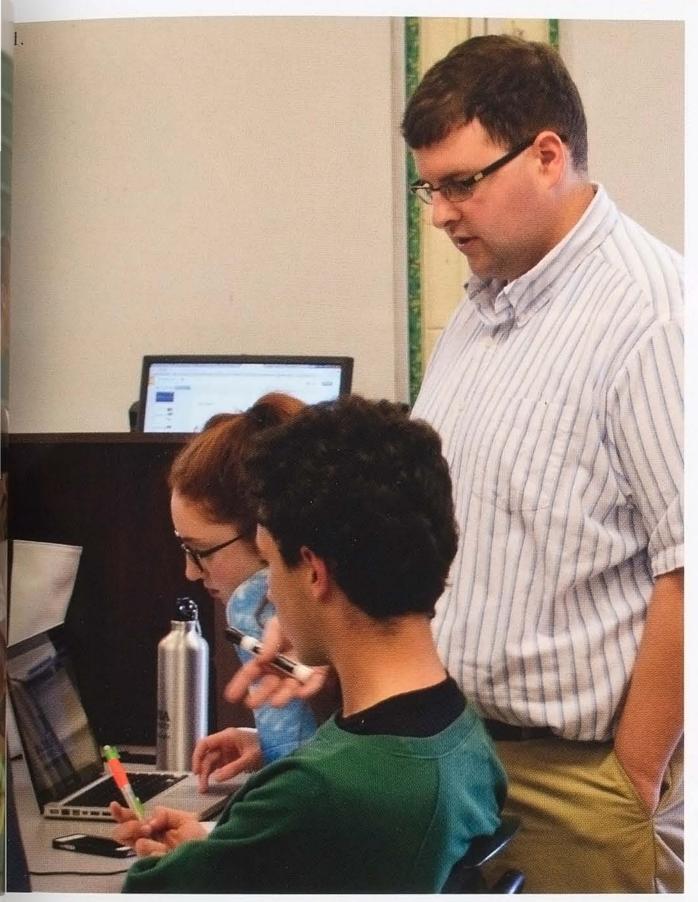
4. Kate Pole's gold team explodes into celebration after winning their third Greek Olympic title.







### We Welcome U





The Start Of Something New

- 1. Senior Brendan Wall discusses a few points from his research with Rohman during Argumentation and Debate.
- 2. Curious freshmen ask about teen health with Paxson in Freshman Wellness.
- 3. Rohman listens in thoroughly on the debate during his seventh period class.
- 4. Hoffman is pleased with a student's comment while conversing about their Romeo and Juliet assignment.











The U-High family welcomed four new faces this school year.

Angelica Delatorre-Im is the new Spanish I, II, and IV teacher.

Teaching Spanish and English as a second language, Delatorre-Im has a passion for introducing foreign languages to her students.

"I want them to leave class feeling like they've mastered the subject."

Delatorre-Im said.

Delatorre-Im appreciates how welcoming and driven everyone is at U-High.

"I really like the environment here; everyone has a goal," Delatorre-Im said. "All of the students and teachers respect each other and it's a really positive place to be."

Rebekah Hoffman is a face U-High has seen before. As a former intern, Hoffman is used to the life within these walls. Although Hoffman was away from U-High for a while, she was eager to return. "I was very excited to come back to an environment like U-High," Hoffman said. "The hardest thing is just getting back into the flow of things."

Brian Rohman teaches Oral Communications and Argumentation and Debate. Rohman was an intern during the 2014-2015 school year. Senior Zach Quarton chose to take Argumentation and Debate with Rohman because it was something new.

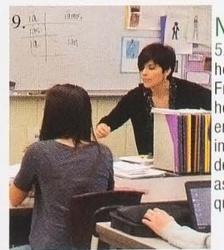
"It's a lot of notes for the first couple of weeks and then it's prepping for the debates," Quarton said. "The debates are interesting and it's neat to listen to the different sides."

Steve Paxson, known as "Coach" to some, is a new hire for the P.E. department. Paxon is also the Athletic Director at Metcalf. When not teaching Wellness and Strength & Conditioning, you can find him on the field. Paxson is the head coach of the varsity baseball team. He said he appreciates the curriculum the institution provides.

"There are a lot of opportunities that can come from being at U-High," Paxson said. "I really love the curriculum here and it's a great place to learn."

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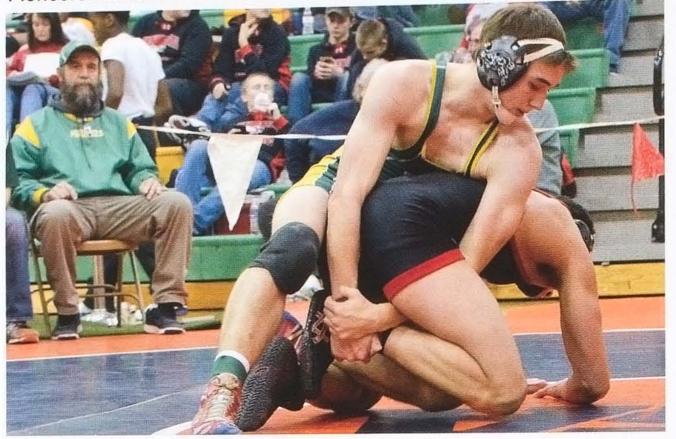




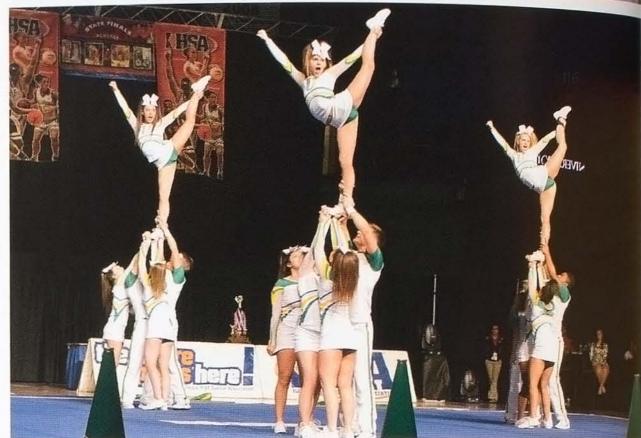
New Kids on the Block
5. Delatorre-Im reviews the warm up in her Spanish I class. 6. During the Freshman Olympics, Hoffman cheers on her chariot race team. 7. Students are enlightened on health by Paxson. 8. Deep in thought, Rohman dicusses ideas for a debate. 9. Reviewing an in-class assignment, Delatorre-Im answers a question from a student.

# Winter

With colder temperatures, snowstorms, and finals to study for, students tend to spend more time cooped up inside during the winter months of the year. Yet they brave the cold to venture out and participate in more of U-High's finer traditions. Some go and support their classmates at winter events, others just let the other students know they're thinking of them during the holidays. Whatever the case, Pioneers make the most of the middle-stretch of their school year.

















Whether it's basketball games, fun in the snow, getting students in the holiday spirit, or even cramming for finals together, everyone gets involved in some of U-High's winter rituals.

"It was always fun to go out during our free hours and play snow football on the practice field," sophomore Caleb Diffor said. Fun afternoons outside may provide a wintery atmosphere, but strong spirit keeps Pioneers from hibernation during these cold months.

"The Black Light game is always fun each year because a lot of people show up and are excited to support the players and have fun at the dance later," senior Alex Browning said.

As always, students made the most of all the time they had to spend indoors.

"It's awesome when everyone decorates with the lounge with holiday lights and cutout snowflakes," junior Sydney Whitten said. "It gives the lounge a cool and festive vibe."



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# Heading South





Several student groups spent their spring break traveling overseas, whether it was to build a house, or experience a new culture. The student group U-Build traveled to Haiti in order to build a home for the Alphonse family while upper-level Spanish classes toured Ecuador. U-Build members spent the week designing a three-bedroom house that includes a dining room and kitchen. The club raised over \$15,000 in order to provide five beds, a table, bench, clothing, medical supplies, curtains, bedding, kitchenware, and food. "Being surrounded by that much poverty was so eye opening," junior Peris Story said. "You hear about it and see pictures, but nothing compares to actually getting to know the people that have to live like that."

To end the week, students held a ceremony to hand the house over to the family that they dedicated their time to.

"It really puts your life into perspective realizing how much we take for granted," sophomore Lucas Hari said; Hari previously visited Haiti in 2014. "It makes you realize and appreciate how much we have and how privileged we are."

U-High Spanish students were also exposed to a new culture as they explored Quito, Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands.

"My favorite part of the trip was either hiking up a volcano in the Galapagos Islands, or visiting a local craft market in Otavalo," said junior Simon Heinrich. "The craft market was a great opportunity to use Spanish and pick up souvenirs."

Although keeping very busy throughout the week, students still found time to experience a diverse and eye-opening culture.

"I was able to see beautiful beaches, animals, learn about the culture and values of the people, and be surrounded by Spanish for an entire week," said junior Elena Hollingsworth. "I couldn't have asked for a better trip."

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#### **Lasting Memories**

5. Junior Ellie Paul learns how to make ice cream at a local shop, "Helados de Paila." 6. Anna Rodriguez teaches the kids how to play Down by the Banks. 7. Seniors enjoy empanadas. 8. "The memories these sweet kids left with me will last a lifetime," junior Paige Maffet said. 9. Senior Michelle Styczynski and junior Kaitlyn Ludwig visit the equator line.









Making an Impact

1. U-Build members pose in front of the house they built for the Alphonse family.

2. Spanish students take a group photo in the Quito airport after several of them experienced their first flight.

3. "We spent lots of time dancing with the kids or giving them piggy back rides," junior Kaylee Birlingmair said. "When we weren't working on the house, we would play games with the kids."

4. Students hiked to the top of the Sierra Negra volcano on Isabella island.







### Blazin' the Trail





#### We Believe the U Will Win

- 1. A large U-Crew crowd turns out for for an Intercity game against rival Central Catholic.
- 2. Freezing temperatures or violent rainstorms didn't stop the U-Crew ifrom cheering the football team to victory.
- 3. Students carrying on the tradition of the roller coaster during half time.
- 4. At the annual Intercity football game, students get ready to release green and gold balloons at kick-off.
- A long rain delay allowed students to enjoy some time dancing to the drumline in Hancock Stadium.











When you join U-High, not only do you join a school that is committed to excellent learning, but a school that lives for cheering their teams to victory. Constantly decking out in all the green and gold, we bleed for our Pioneers and you can always count on the U-Crew to make an appearance.

"When I come out of the locker room and see a lot of students in the crowd to support our team it just gives me more energy," senior basketball player Alex Morris said "(It) makes me that much more excited to go out and get a win for our school."

This year there is no denying that the school spirit was higher than ever. On a typical Friday night, students piled into cars for long treks to away games or, just as often, short drives to the home football field or gym.

"What separates the U-Crew is its willingness to go to road games. Whenever we are playing home games there is never any students from the opposing teams," Morris said, "But when we go on the road there is always a couple members of the U-Crew who show up, especially in big games."

The U-Crew brought even more spirit by incorporating theme nights, some of which were Hawaiian night, America night, Jersey night, and of course Green and Gold night. Senior Dave Phipps led the U-Crew in putting their hands up, throwing them around for the roller coaster and even leading the students in the wave.

"When I get to stand there and cheer our teams to victory there really isn't anything better," Phipps said "It is like a massive rush of both adrenaline and pride especially when we beat our school rivals like Central Catholic."

Whether there was a big game that half the school showed up or if there were just a few students from the U-Crew, school spirit continued even outside of the regular school days.

"When our students are there and participating, the other fans get involved," athletic director Wendy Smith said. "It really helps with the atmosphere to have student's participation."

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#### Let's Go U

- 5. Students hold up their "U's" at the Volley for the Cure game.
- 6. "Hawaiian Theme" night for the U-Crew at a football game.
- 7. U-Crew leader Dave Phipps raises the spirit stick in triumph.
- 8. Junior boys support boys'
- basketball at Intercity. 9. Seniors Rachel Keil and Kelli

Kuchefski smile under the Friday Night Lights.

### Never Falling Flat

Staying on Beat

1. U-High's marching band plays on the field with over 25 other high schools at this winter's Russel Bowl.

2. The oboe section, consisting of sophomore Anastasia Ervin, senior James Welander, and freshman Alexandra Beam, stands to get recognized after playing the Harry Potter medley at the winter concert.



Marching Band journeyed to Orlando, Florida to take part in the halftime performance at the Russell Athletic Bowl with over 25 other high schools and over 2,000 students.

Junior bass drum player Noah Franklin traveled with the band to Orlando Florida.

"We were really prepared, so it made it a lot of fun to perform on the field," Franklin said.

The band was able to do some fun activities while in Florida like visiting Coco Beach and Universal Studios.

After getting back from Florida the band needed to start getting ready for the next concert.

The winter concert went off without a hitch, with a seven minute Harry Potter medley as the star of the show. The performance included a montage of clips of all eight movies.

Junior Rosa Rolon, who plays the trumpet, especially enjoyed this piece.

"It was exciting to know that the audience could enjoy our performance in a new way," Rolon said.

Junior Sam Fansler who plays the trombone, just joined band second semester and got to experience performing with the band for the first time.

"It was good experience having a new perspective when performing," Fansler said.

Leading the band was a moderate sized senior class, who many said were very welcoming.

"I'll definitely miss their leadership skills and it will stick to me that they were the first people I met when I came to U-High," Rolon said. "Through summer rehersals and band camp we became very close before the school year started."

The seniors proved to be welcoming throughout the year but also were great examples to look up to.

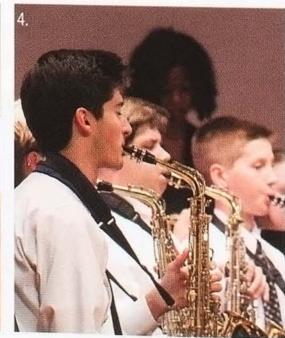
"I'll really miss the seniors because they are good leaders that helped us be a better band," Franklin said.

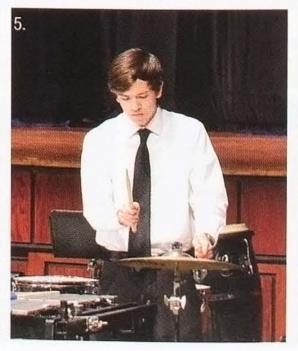
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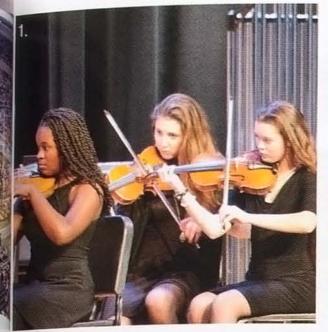
Taking a Bow

3. Senior Brittany Adams and sophomore Dalton Bates soak in the applause after performing at the holiday concert.

4. At this year's holiday concert, senior Cole Bateman and company play their saxophones.

5. Junior Alex Walbert plays in a percussion trio at the winter band concert.

6. Band members are all smiles in the stadium before going on the field to perform during the halftime show of the Russell Athletic Bowl game.





Stringing Ahead

Sophomore Raquel Moore, freshman
 Poleena Kovalaske, and junior Lianna
 Pfister play in harmony.

 Orchestra teacher Margot Ehrlich bows after an exhilerating performance by her students

3. Awaiting the next piece, senior Ethan Schlenker confidently stands after being recognized with freshman James Han by his side.

### Piecing Music Together

Every year, orchestra begins class with highly talented high schoolers who have dedicated time to improving their skills. This year, the orchestra class took two trips to Chicago, one of which was a visit to the Chicago Symphony where they were able to see conductor Riccardo Muti and his orchestra rehearse and perform classical pieces.

"The trip was really good for the kids," orchestra teacher Margot Ehrlich said. "They were able to get a much better look at orchestra and see how serious it is."

After seeing the Chicago Symphony in person, the students were even more determined, practicing longer and harder to exceed

their own expectations.

District ILMEA and All-State member junior Jessica Huber has been playing the violin since the fourth grade and understands how much work goes into being a great player.

"Orchestra requires me to practice every day for about an hour," Huber said. "It takes a lot of work and time but it all pays off in the end."

'The end' is concerts, where the students showcase their talents and hard work for an audience, whether as a whole group or a solo performance. With an abundance of students, they are able to play diverse pieces, ranging anywhere from early 1700 Luigi Boccherini to 1950 Duke Ellington style jazz.

Preparation for these concerts, however, is rigorous and stressful but very beneficial for the class as they are able to correct minor

problems.

"Practices can get intense at some points," senior Alex Walker said. "However, we keep our composure and support each other."

Support from everyone is credited as the key to a successful performance.

"Concerts can be unpredictable sometimes, especially with parts you struggle with," Ehrlich said. "But the students come together and create a great show and the feeling of that is amazing.

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#### Show Time

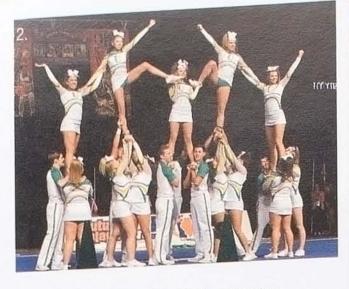
4. Junior Sarah Park is recognized by Ehrlich after performing a solo piece. 5. At the end of the winter concert, senior Ethan Schlenker and junior Katana Colledge thank Ehrlich for conducting the show with a lovely bouquet of flowers. 6. In sync, junior Sarah Park and sophomore Piper Schuring create a beautiful sound from the Hyden Symphony No.88 piece.
7. Senior Alex Walker concentrates

on his sheet music while playing Libertango.



#### n Gold Wear Green, Wi





The tradition of triumph held by the cheer program had the team winning another successful competition season. Qualifying for the state competition for the seventh year in a row by placing first in their sectional, the team went on to place in the top ten in state for the Co-Ed division for the fourth straight year.

"The Co-Ed division is the only division that is not based on school size, so we are always an underdog," senior captain Micayla Mathieson said. "We worked hard to make a name for ourselves these past four years."

Though the team kept busy cheering on the football and basketball teams, the majority of this work was done behind the scenes by preparing their routine for competitions.

"We spend hours in the gym each week, perfecting every detail of our routine," junior captain Anne Rich said.

With a copious amount of injuries keeping key performers off the mat and many unexperienced additions in the form of six new guys, the already challenging routine presented even more obstacles.

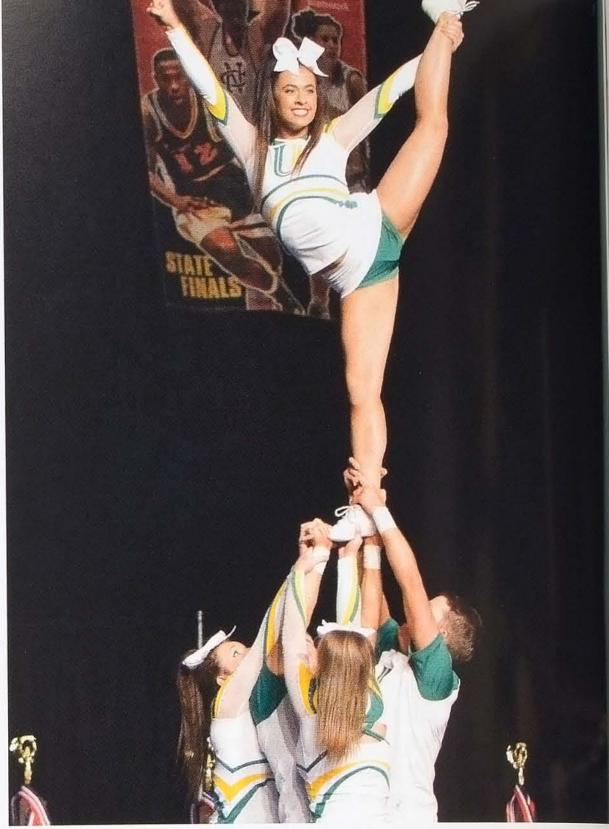
Graduating four of the five male cheerleaders from last year's team forced the team to find some new talent.

"I originally got talked into going to an open gym with the intention of not joining," senior Skylar Bunton said. "Once I got there, I realized that it's honestly not a 'girly sport' and it was actually really fun." The good times continued throughout the season, fueling the team's chemistry and success.

"We get along extremely well considering how much time we spend together," senior Bri Lehr said. "This is probably the closest the team has been since I've been here."

Story by Jon Rink

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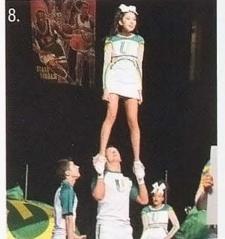
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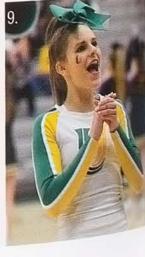
1. Seniors Briana Smith and Bri Lehr pose for a picture after their performance at the first day of state. 2. The entire team wows with a perfect formation for their final pose at day two of the state competition.

3. Senior Micayla Mathieson holds a scale at the state competition. Mathieson has been on the varsity cheer squad since her freshman year.

4. Seniors Kevin Covarrubias and Skylar Bunton and juniors Anna Rodriguez and Ellie Paul cheer on the basketball team at Intercity.





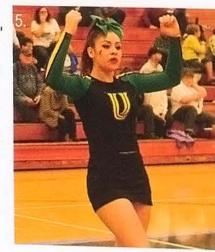


5. Junior Haley Torrez holds up a "U" at an away game at Olympia. 6. Senior Zach Frey points to the full crowd at U.S. Cellular Coliseum. 7. Junior Ellie Paul waves to the crowd at a State Farm Holiday

Pumping up the Crowd

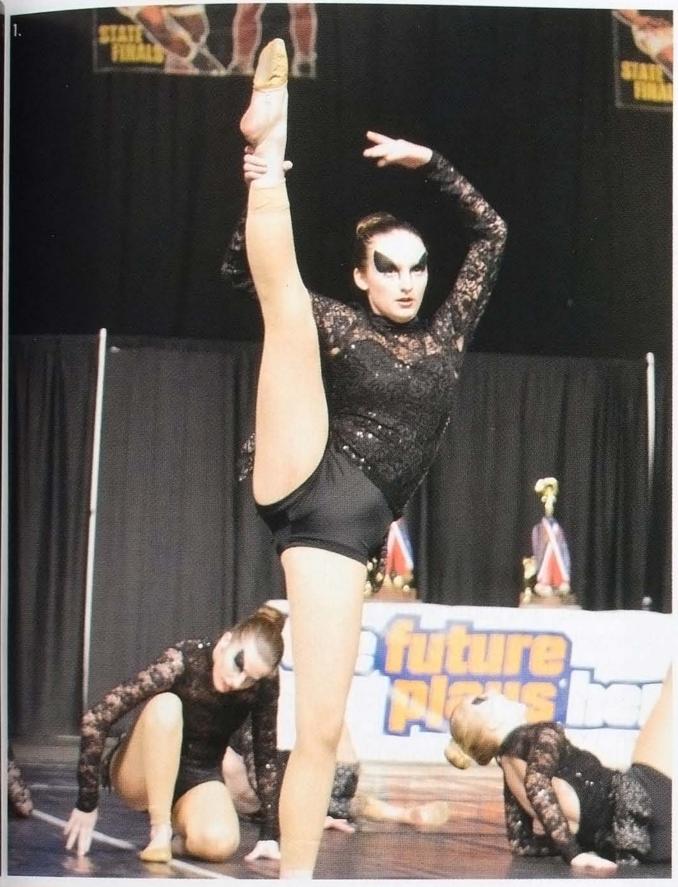
Classic tournament game. 8. Senior JD Carr holds up freshman Taylor McCormick during the team's state performance. 9. Freshman Samantha Spain claps along to a

chant. 32 Clarion





### Getting There "One Way or Another"



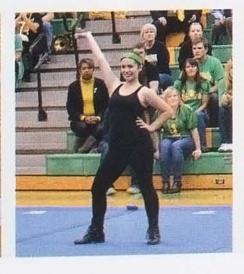


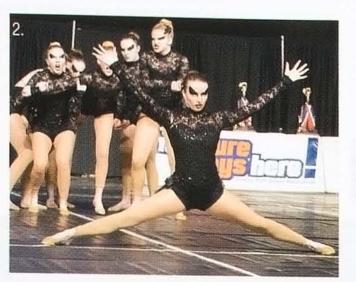
Taking Things to the Next Level

- Senior captain Amanda Martin hits a perfect leg extension during her final high school performance.
   Junior Danielle Kinsella does the splits as teammates behind portray the dark story of the piece during the state final performance.
- 3. Striking a final pose, freshman Abby Peterson kills it at a basketball game performance.
- 4. Junior Grace Telling, freshman Abby Peterson, senior Amanda Martin, and junior Megan Wittman shimmy at a home basketball game halftime show.











A season of many changes, the dance team managed to pull out a lot of success.

"This season was a roller coaster ride but ultimately, very successful. It certainly did not go as planned," coach Laurie Merriman said. Winning Sectionals was the main goal of this 2015-2016 dance team and that is exactly what they did, making school history in the process.

"With dance only being considered an IHSA sport here for four years now, I'm so proud of my team for winning Sectionals and bringing back a plaque to hang on the wall," senior captain Amanda Martin said.

Along with this title, the team also placed second in two of their five tournaments and placed 13th at state. Being the only senior this year Martin automatically took a leadership role; however, junior Megan Wittman also helped out as co-captain.

"Taking on a leadership role has helped me a lot to work with others but also myself," Wittman said.

For a dance to flow as one there needs to be a family aspect to the team.

"I was a little scared at first but the girls were very encouraging and I felt comfortable and apart of the team quickly," freshman Sadie Cole said. Cole, one of the team's five new members, had previous dance experience which helped with picking up new dances and changes more quickly. The team not only danced in competitions but they also performed at football games, basketball games, and pep rallies. "It started off different than any other season, we had a couple rough weeks while changing a lot of things," Martin said. "But I'm definitely proud of our last performance and it felt good to be out there one last

Though they didn't have many home basketball games to perform at this season this allowed them a lot more time to prepare and perfect their competition lyrical piece, One Way or Another, which took them all the way to state.

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A Family Dynamic
5. Junior Hadley Hagerty, new to the team this year, gets ready to dance.
6. The team gets ready to perform their jazz piece called Heartbreaker.
7. Sophomore Julianna Heptinstall strikes a pose at the Homecoming Pep Assembly. 8. Freshman Sadie Cole is lifted during a halftime performance under the Friday Night Lights. 9. Julianna Heptinstall and Grace Telling turn in sync.

### Diverse yet Unified

Different Clubs, Same Team

1. Coming up for a breath, sophomore
Harrison Fudge races in his favorite event:
the 100yd breastroke.

2. Junior Elijah Gray races against the clock in the 500yd freestyle at Sectionals.
3. Cruising along, senior Collin Brady backstrokes his way to victory at the last home meet of his high school career.





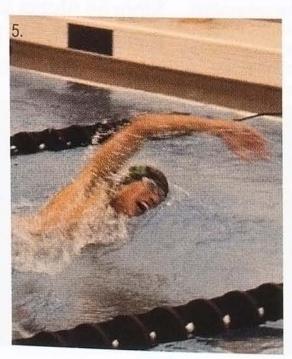
The boys swim team is diverse in that the athletes come to U. High not only from different schools, but different club teams. With swimmers from local year-round clubs like Waves, Redbird BNSC, and even independent training, one would think that this would create some division and competition among teammates but it works just the opposite. "I think our team in general works much better together as a U-High team than our own club teams," senior captain Collin Brady said. "The team just becomes a very tight-knit group." Junior Simon Heinrich adds, "This is the closest team I've ever been on. A lot of the guys will get together after we've been together for the past twelve hours swimming and we'll come back to one of the guys houses and hang out for another twelve hours." Team brunches, pasta dinners, and game nights allowed the boys to spend a lot of time together so that they could be closer and stronger as team, which many of them attribute to their success throughout the season. "The team has such a strong dynamic, especially during Christmas break practices, when we're practicing so much every day and it helps us really band together," Brady said. "We get the work done and motivate each other through that so we always come out in a lot better shape and a lot faster after those practices." Long hours in the pool paid off at sectionals. The Pioneers, placing first among Intercity teams and second overall were able to send two relays and three individuals ahead to state "We stacked all of the relays to get as many people to state as possible," sophomore Harrison Fudge said. "We were able to bring most of the team, which is what we wanted to do." No points were scored in finals but that didn't stop the team from preparing for next year's return. "Both relays that went to state were all juniors and under so hopefully both those relays will be going back to state next year and can rank even better, make finals, and score points," Fudge said.

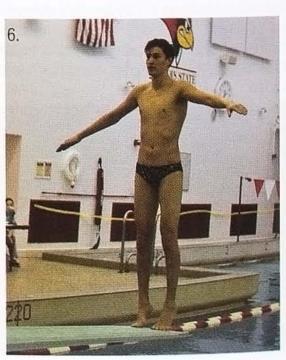
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#### Team Dynamic

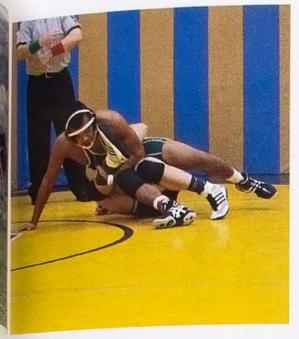
4. Junior Simon Heinrich heads down the lane on his last leg of the 100yd backstroke. Heinrich along with junior Elijah Gray will take over as senior leaders next season. 5. Taking a quick breath, freshman Josh Nepomuceno gets ready to hit the turn in the 500yd free. 6. Up on his toes, senior Nolan Simmons prepares to launch into an inward dive. 7. Sophomore Anthony Williamson crashes into the wall.at the end of the 100yd free for a state qualifying time at Sectionals.

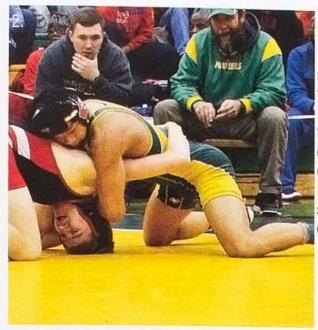












Senior Strong

1. Senior Alex Walker catches himself in a scramble to gain control over his opponent at the annual George Girardi Invite.

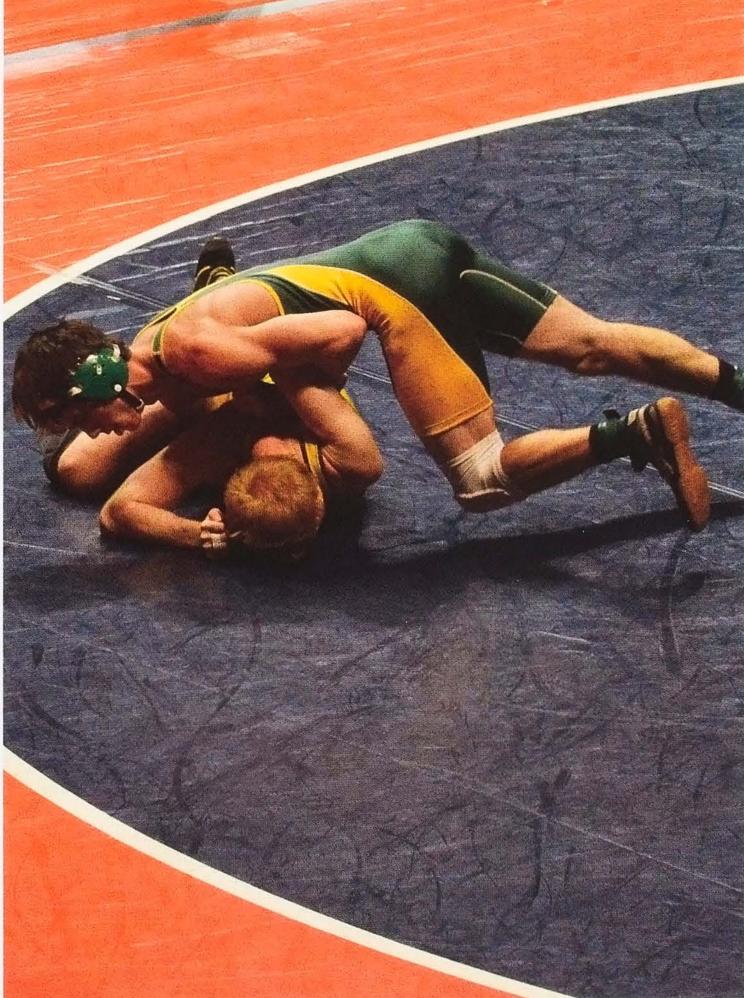
2. In the championship match of the regional tournament, senior Jordan Ho sprawls with a quarter nelson to defend a shot from his opponent.

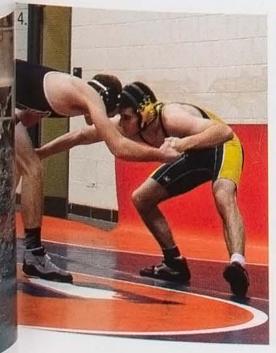
3. At the first round of the state tournament, senior Duncan Terry attempts to turn his opponent by running a chicken wing.

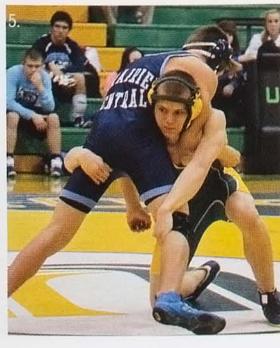
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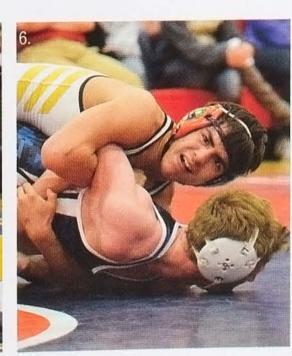
This season for the Pioneer wrestling team was one for the records. By having the largest team they have had in years, four state ranked athletes, and having received honorable mention as a team going into the state series, these Pioneers were able to dominate tournaments both as a team and individually. "Since we have a small team, all athletes must come in competing at a varsity level," head coach Mike Troll said. "This makes our team stronger as a whole, giving better expereince." This team went into the state series with high hopes. They advanced five wrestlers from their regional and in sectionals advanced all of their competitors to the state tournament, the most out of their sectional. The wrestlers consisted of freshman Zack Franz, juniors Dylan Carey and Packard Otto and seniors Jordan Ho and Duncan Terry. "The personalities is what makes wrestling so unique," Troll said. "You understand what it feels like to give everything to win or lose." Two-year captain Ho had a standout year with a team best record of 40-6, was ranked 9th overall in the state, and received the Chuck Murdoch award for being the top 1A area wrestler in the 132-pound weight class. Ho found strength in his teammates to help push him through the season. "All of my brothers brought something different to the table," Ho said. "They all help me become well-rounded as a wrestler in different aspects." Previously placing 5th overall in the state, captain Terry competed for his second time in the state tournament. Being ranked 4th overall in the state, Terry faced a tough season beating out top ranked competitors in the state. "This year was much different for me since we had the full team," Terry said. "Everyone was different, with a different wrestling style so it helped me become a more versatile wrestler." More enduring than any other sport, wrestling teaches self-control and pride, pushing each other to their limits to find motivation in each other. Though some have wrestled without great skill, no Pioneer has wrestled without pride.

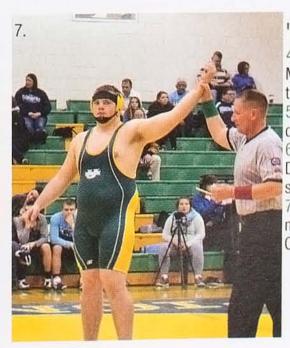
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#### "Ain't No Secrets"

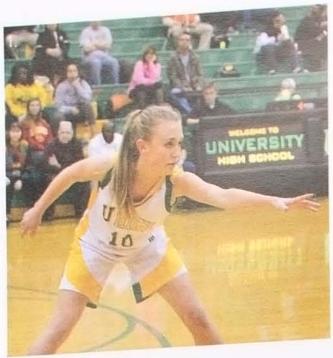
4. In a neutral position, junior Tanner Martin tries to set up a takedown in this year's regional tournament.

5. Freshman Zack Franz shoots a

double leg takedown.

6. To win the regional title, junior Dylan Carey uses a chicken wing to score a near-fall.

7. Junior Packard Otto wins his match in a dual meet against Prairie Central.







Newest Additions

1. "This year's season was a learning experience for me," first year point and shooting guard sophomore Kimmy Sendelbach said. "All the girls were very supportive knowing this was all new for

2. With her first year of varsity playing time sophomore Cheyenne Peterson played as a

3. Taking the shot, junior Raven Hughes shoots over her Normal Community opponent at Intercity.

# Who's House? U's House

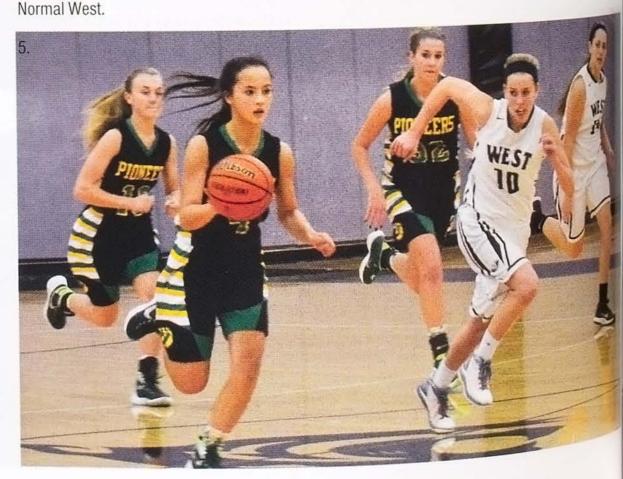
"A big season of adjusting" is how senior Bailey Larsen described this season for the team. The two senior captains, Bailey Larsen an Illinois Central College commit and Chante Stonewall a DePaul commit, both tore their ACLs. Their roles on the team had to be filled by other members. "We've been working to try and fill the leader roles on the court," junior Jessica Huber said. "We struggled with that quite a bit, but we figured it out." Continuing her 10th year of coaching, Laura Sellers reflects on how the team felt with the loss of their two seniors. "We lost leadership, ball handling, 3-point shooting, and scoring." But the team all came together instead of looking to one leader to take that position. "Everybody is working more to communicate in practice" Huber said. Although Larsen and Stonewall couldn't be leaders on the court, they learned how to be supportive off the court. "What we did, people followed so we led by example; we had to try to find a different way to be a leader," Larsen said. "We had to find out how they would best learn without being able to show them, so it was a big coaching experience for both of us." The team was shaped by a youthful dynamic this year. Newest additions to the team were sophomores Cheyenne Peterson and Kimmy Sendelbach, as well as junior Jasmyne Lawrence. All the young members on the team shaped the team into a close-knit group. "We still preach make your teammates better and get the best shot," Sellers said. "That encourages chemistry. So it's the same process but with different players." The close team bond is what Larsen will miss most. "I will miss the 'U-High family aspect'. I leaned on them a lot this year when I got hurt." Earning themselves another Intercity title for the third year in the row, the girls weren't going to let anything get in the way of striving for that state title. The Pioneers suffered a loss in the second game of regionals to Morton High School, concluding their season with a record of 19-12. "This year we have had to work a lot harder for our wins but they are definitely well earned," Huber said.

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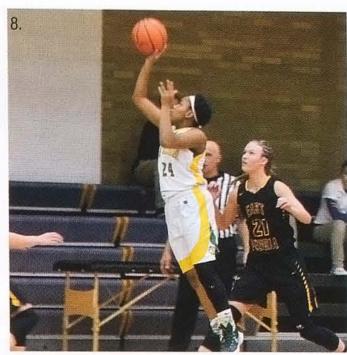
#### One Last Time

4. Seniors Bailey Larsen and Chante Stonewall share a heartfelt hug after their last time on the court together during their Senior Night win against Pontiac. The two have been playing together since fourth grade and both plan on continuing playing throughout college. 5. Sophomore Kimmy Sendelbach and Addy Loeffler hustle with junior Jessica Huber down the court during an Intercity mashup between U-High and



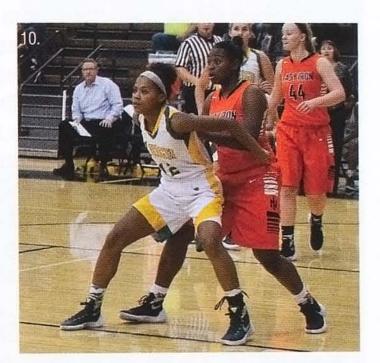






A Season of Adjusting
6. Sophomore Addy Loeffler defends the post. This is Loeffler's second year playing on the varsity team as a post guard. 7. Looking for the open teammate, Junior Jessica Baker handles the ball on offense against a Pontiac High School defender. The team's 57-49 win against Pontiac won them the Corbelt Conference title for the third consecutive year. 8. With a one-handed layup, junior Jasymne Lawerence floats the ball into the net against East Peoria gaining them a 40-28 win.







Taking Charge

9. After finding an open teammate, junior Amber Nanni passes the ball during the Intercity Tournament. This 36-27 win against Normal Community West High School earned them the "Three-peat Champion" title for this annual tournament. 10. Junior Raven Hughes gets tough guarding on defense against a Normal Community West High School earned them the "Three-peat Champion" title for this annual tournament. 10. Junior Raven Hughes gets tough guarding on defense against a Normal Community West High School earned them the "Three-peat Champion" title for this annual tournament. 10. Junior Raven Hughes gets tough guarding on defense against a Normal Community West High School earned them the "Three-peat Champion" title for this annual tournament. 10. Junior Raven Hughes gets tough guarding on defense against a Normal Community West High School earned them the "Three-peat Champion" title for this annual tournament. 10. Junior Raven Hughes gets tough guarding on defense against a Normal Community West High School earned them the "Three-peat Champion" title for this annual tournament. 10. Junior Raven Hughes gets tough guarding the rebound to the peat of the peat Normal Community High School player. 11. Seniors Chante Stonewall and Bailey Larsen sit side by side one last time, waiting for their Senior Night lineup introduction of the control of t introduction. 12. Junior Amber Nanni edges her opponent on offense during the first round of regionals against East Peoria. 13. After getting the rebound, junior Jasmyne Lawrence takes the ball down the court. 14. Junior Jessica Baker guards her opponent in the regional game.







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## "U" Never Stops

"'U' Never Stops" was printed on the Pioneers warm up shirt to get the message across that the Pioneers play until the last buzzer sounds. That was the mindset of senior Logan Wolf throughout the season. "Our team chemistry among classes was incredible," Wolf said. "We really encouraged each other to get better each day and I think that showed as the year went on."

The Pioneers started out the season by outright winning the Intercity

title, winning three of the four games. "Winning Intercity was one of my proudest moments as a Pioneer," senior Perry Lim said. "Right from the get go, a lot of teams did not think we had a strong team coming back and I believe we set the tone with the

first win of the season against Bloomington."

Carrying momentum from Intercity, the boys won their first three games in the State Farm Holiday Classic taking second place overall. "It was a great feeling knowing we made it to the championship game," senior guard Alex Browing said. "A place where no other U-high team had been before."

Finishing in fourth place last year, the boys had work to do. After beating rival Central Catholic, the Pioneers never looked back. The Pioneers finished the season undefeated in the Corn Belt with a record of 14-0. "At the beginning of the year we set goals not only individually, but as a team as well and one of those goals was to win the Corn Belt," Wolf said. "So it always feels good to reach a goal you set as a team at the beginning of the year.

"Taking their undefeated Corn Belt record into a tough regionals at Washington, the boys won their first game against East Peoria, then had to square off against Washington on their home floor.

With a back and fourth game, the Pioneers fell to Washington missing the game winning shot. Finishing the season with a record of 23-5, Lim was happy with how it all went.

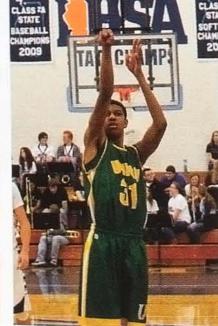
"The season was one to remember," Lim said. "Playing through advserity and enjoying every second of it was great. Although our postseason was cut short, I am honored and blessed to have played with this team."

Story by Zach Frey

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One Last Shot

1. Senior Perry Lim goes up for the slam duri while teammate senior Alex Browning looks on during senior night against Illinois Valley

2. Sophomore Keondre Schumacher goes w for a layup during a home game against Illinois Valley Central High School. Schumacher led the team in points per game this season for the Pioneers.



Finishing Strong 3. Junior Jake Armstrong gets in ready position on defense at a

home game against Mahomet Seymour. 4. Freshman Kai Bates-Diop

follows through during a free throw at an away game at Olympia.

5. Finding an open teammate, senior Alex Morris passes the ball while junior Keondre Schumacher anticipates the pass during an intercity game against Bloomington.







#### **Buckets**

During the first Intercity game against Bloomington, junior Nate Robinson drills a threepointer. Robinson contributed a lot in the second half of the season coming off a previous injury early in the season.



**Taking Control** 

Sophomore Trey Heffner calls out a play at a home game against Morton. Heffner stepped up in pivotal times for the team in the second half of the season.

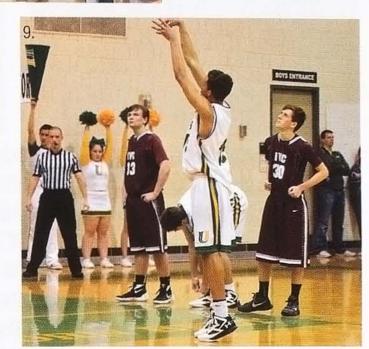


Making a Statement

During his last home game, senior Logan Wolf throws down a vicious dunk against Illinois Valley Central High









#### One Game at a Time

7. Senior Alex Morris shoots the ball during a home game against Morton High School.

8. Junior Jack Martin goes up for the layup during a home game against Illinois Valley Central High School.

9. Knocking down a free throw is junior Myles Aldridge against Illinois Valley Central High School. 10. Against Illinois Valley Central High School, senior Alex Browning hits a dance move in the pre-game huddle. The team always has a player dance in the middle of the circle right after starting lineups are announced as a pre-game ritual.

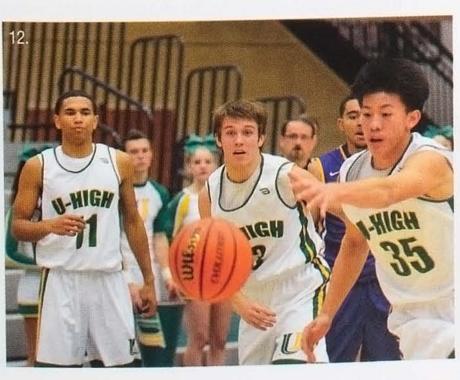
11. Junior Keondre Schumacher looks to pass to the open teammate during a game against rival Central Catholic.



### Together as a Family 12. Diving for the ball is senior

Perry Lim as senior Alex Morris and junior Nate Robinson look on during the first game of the season against Bloomington. 13. Senior Alex Browning leaps up on defense to try distract a Central Catholic player during a game. The Pioneers won both games against Central Catholic this year to contribute to an undefeated Corn Belt season.

14. During a game at Olympia junior Nate Robinson passes the ball to an open teammate.







peechin' for Victories





With record breaking numbers heading to Nationals in Salt Lake City, Utah, the U-High Speech and Debate team had another successful season. They won regionals, took third place at sectionals, and placed 15th at the state tournament in Peoria. The team had a total of 13 sectional qualifiers and five state qualifiers.

Senior Christina Su came back from a second place finish at state her sophomore year, more ready than ever. This year Su was crowned State Champion in Informative Speaking and placed sixth in Prose Reading to finish her successful four years of speech.

Coach Shannon Maney said the U-High speech team is the most motivated and accountable group of students she has ever had the pleasure of coaching. Maney was involved with speech at her high school and even competed in ten events at Illinois State University.

"The reason I coach speech is because every year I get to watch teenagers discover they have the voice they need in order to make the change they want in the world," Maney said.

With more participants this year, the team was able to grow and help each other develop into stronger competitors.

"There are a lot more people this year," senior Jacob Mattia said. "Which is really good because we are able to be more collaborative as a team and help each other out."

Speech and Debate is all about driving your teammates and working towards your personal achievement.

"Despite the competitive success we had this season, I am most proud of our team's personal growth over these years and the great foundation we've set for our team's future successes and our own,' senior captain Patrick Deneen said.

Story by Laura Dulee

Photos courtesy of Laurie Adams, Amy Secretan and Christina Su





Coming Out on Top

1. The "Prose Bros," all the speechies who perform prose readings, pose with their books at Dunlap HS. 2. Juniors Cree Harris, Emily Rodriguez, sophomore Caroline Pickering, senior CeCe Hill, junior Logan Piker, and sophomore Emma Norian pose in their business attire.

3. "I honestly wouldn't be the same person I am today if it weren't for my team and the opportunities speech has given me," senior state champion Christina Su said.

4. The entire team takes a group photo after their regional championship victory at Normal West.



5. The team is all smiles with their trophies after a sucessful day. 6. Speechies and coaches huddle up at the state tournament in Peoria.

7. Sophomore Caroline Pickering warms up by talking to the wall before giving her speech. 8. The team gathers for lunch at the West Tournament. 9. Seniors Christina Su, Mary Spaulding and CeCe Hill show off their blazers and skirts.











### Farewell to a Fitness Guru





Going New Places

1. Leading a cycling session in a personal fitness class, Mayer-Morris helps keep students on track.

2. Mayer-Morris and current teacher Maria Pessman decked out in cubs gear.

3. Mayer-Morris enjoys the winter wonderland at Washington Park.

4. Taking in views of the mountains is Mayer-Morris and her husband.











Vicki Mayer-Morris taught at U-High for 30 years, but ended her career at the end of the first semester.

Morris taught many different classes in the PE department over the years including Activities, Personal Fitness, Advanced Personal Fitness, and adapted PE for students with disabilities.

Morris said she has had many pleasant memories but the ones that stand out are the ones from her adapted PE classes.

"We transferred kids and went canoeing at Lake Bloomington and went sledding at U-High," Morris said.

Coming to work for U-High was a no-brainer for her for many reasons. She knew that U-High had a great reputation, great students. The size was also a benefit.

"U-High is your family, you can rely on people you work with," Morris said. "They are more than just co-workers."

Morris said getting through the hard times of teaching is better with the staff at U-High.

Morris loved helping kids get into shape and also having fun with it. "I loved it and had a passion for it," Morris said.

One of many students impacted by Morris' passion for teaching was senior Kylie Personette.

"I feel like I can talk to her about anything, like I would talk to a friend," Personette said.

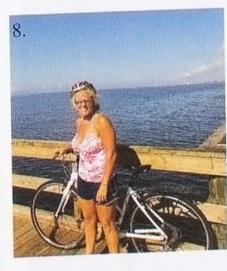
Morris has influenced countless students over her 30 year tenure. "Mrs. Morris has taught us the importance of maintaining a good and healthy lifestyle through nutrition and exercise," junior Sydney Auth

said. "I'm really going to miss her in class."

Morris said the best life lesson she learned at her time at U-High is to surround yourself with people who are examples and good role models.

Morris plans to spend her free time spending time with her family and traveling aorund the world.

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5. Mayer-Morris enjoys the snow in a wintery Michigan. 6. On one of her many Michigan trips, Mayer-Morris poses by a beautiful stream in Petoskey. 7. Mayer-Morris biking

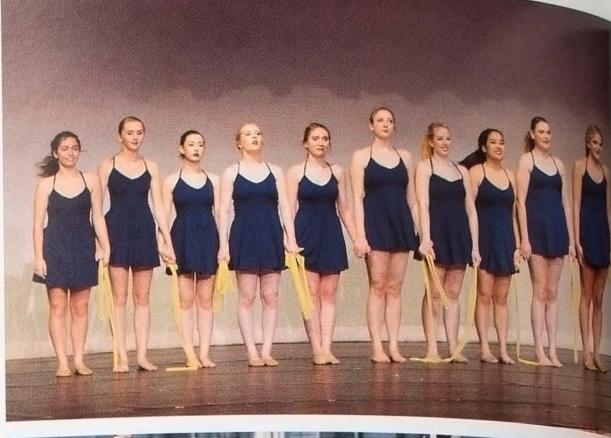
Katy Trail in Missouri . 8. Riding her bike on the boardwalk on the coast in Mississippi, Mayer-Morris gets some exercise.9. Mayer-Morris cross-country skis on the first snow at Washington Park.

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# Spring

After the frigid winter, rays of spring sunshine thawed the halls of U-High. Students became eager to get outside and relish some of the final traditions before summer. While some activities are all about fun, such as outdoor sports and dancing at Prom, many are bittersweet concluding events for seniors before graduation. However, all students leave the halls with Pioneer pride and memories of another great school year.

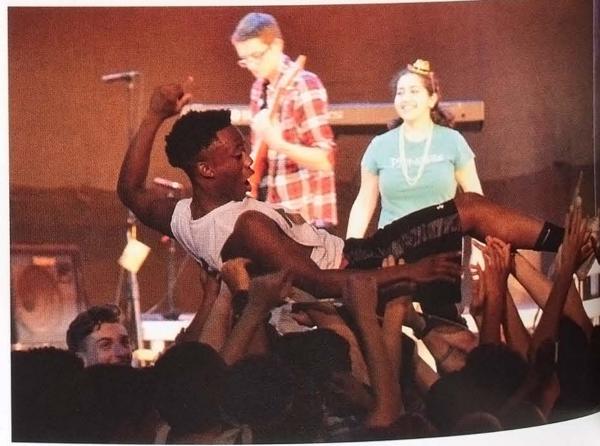


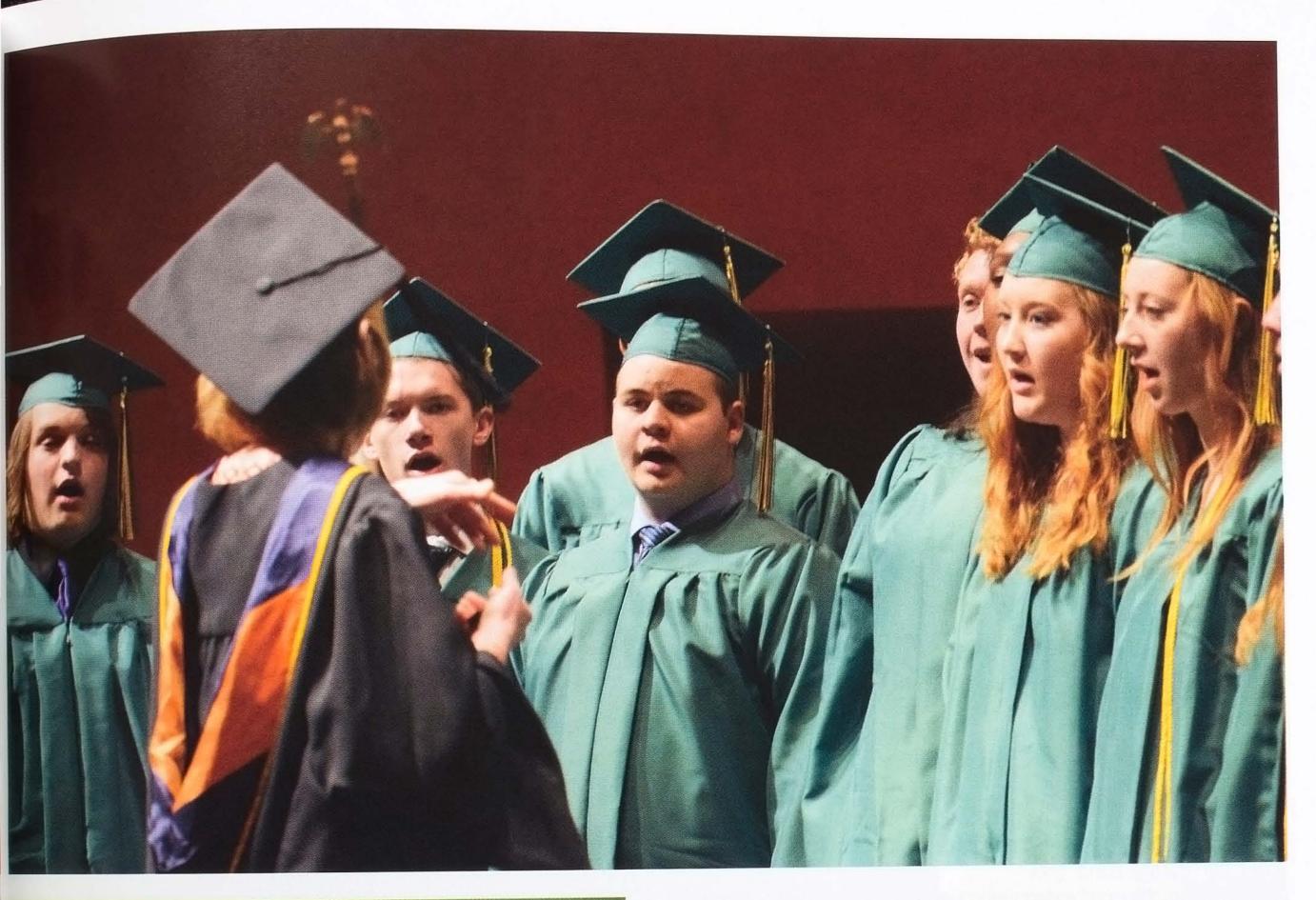


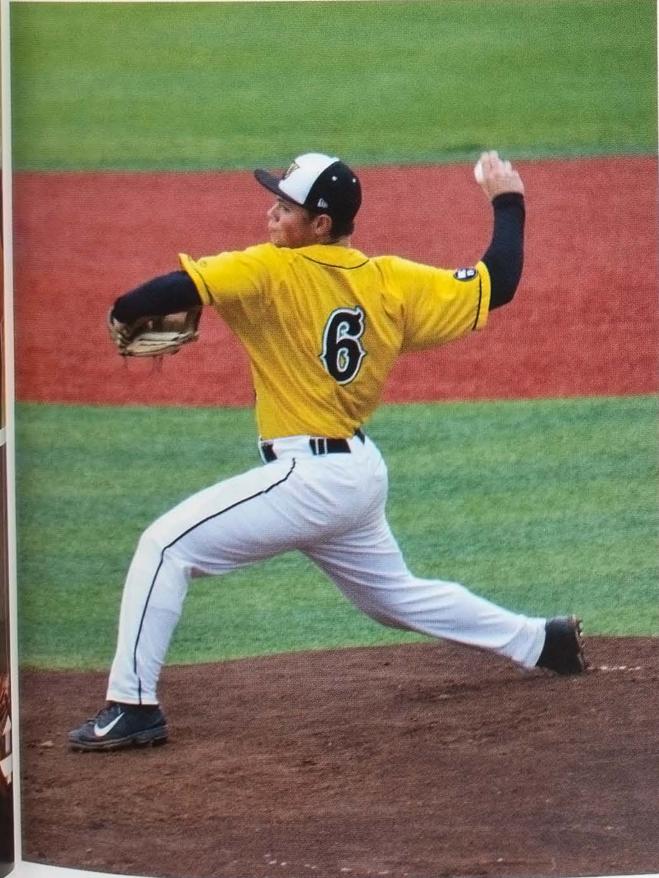












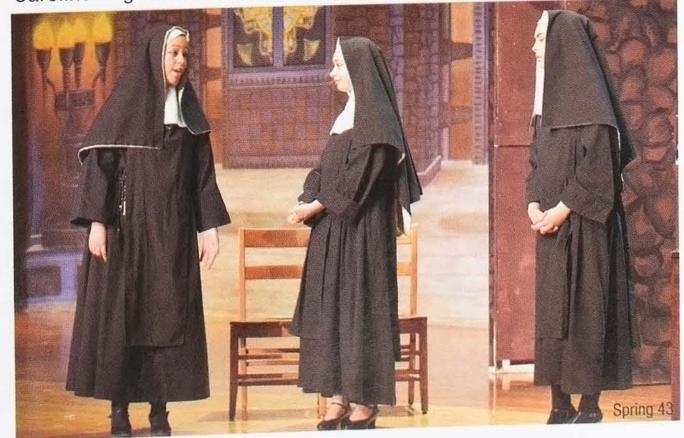
Spring signals the start of testing season: AP exams, ACTs, and finals. Students balance activities and study sessions by loading up on Dunkin' coffee and leftover cake from senior night celebrations. Traditions such as Prom, graduation, and Class Night make everyone feel united.

"I love the spring! Seniors start to make Class Night videos and it really brings us together," senior Bronzi Owens said.

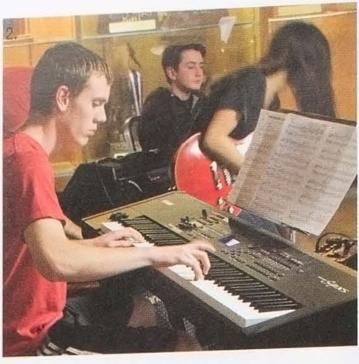
The warmer temperatures and fresh air outside also make the last days of class more bearable for students.

"I love the spring," freshman Olivia Cramer said. "I'm able to enjoy lunch and the open campus with my friends in the beautiful weather." However, just like every year, seniors say their goodbyes and get ready to leave for college in the fall.

"I feel relaxed and excited that the school year is over," graduate Caroline Page said. "But I already miss some things."









#### Artists at Heart

1. Sophomore Elise Crockett performed as a solo act for three songs: "Runaway" by Ed Sheeran, "It's You" by Zayn and "Trap Queen" by Fetty Wap.

2. Sophomore Daniel Ray plays piano for Jazz Gold as his fellow band members play

3. theFiascoProject's backup singer sophomore Jordyn Blythe sings "Brace for Impact." The band also played "Seatbelt," and "Naivete" all songs were arranged by

## Palooza Still Rocks

Pioneer Palooza was a huge hit for the twelve acts performing and highly enjoyable for the audience. This year the palooza was moved to the lounge to create a garage band feel.

"We figured we should have a garage band style in the lounge," student sponsor Hannah Foley said. "It worked well because all of the groups sounded more casual."

Sophomore Jordyn Blythe had fun at Palooza, and really loved the atmosphere of it.

"Being able to interact with my friends and just have a really good time with music was super fun," Blythe said.

Blythe's favorite part of the evening was when Pursuit threw beachballs out to the audience and got the audience involved.

Junior Sebastian Nassar also had fun at Palooza, and he especially loved the "garage band" feel.

"It's probably the most entertaining fundraising event at U-High with a diverse set of performances," Nassar said. "It's cool to see who's playing and what they are playing."

"A lot of bands said the lounge was a better feel for them anyway," Foley said.

Because of the location, the audience was able to interect with the bands.

"I really liked how close and personal it was," Blythe said. Being close to the stage and seeing friends made the night a more intimate experience for everyone.

"I loved being able to see my friends on stage and perform with my friends," Blythe said.

All proceeds from Palooza went towards the purchasing of new band uniforms. After all was said and done, the event raised \$800, according to faculty sponsor Dr. Bob Fitzgerald.

Being a band member herself, Blythe was grateful for the chance to help raise money for something she is involved in.

"I really appreciated the opportunity to be able to share my talents as well as experience others' talents."

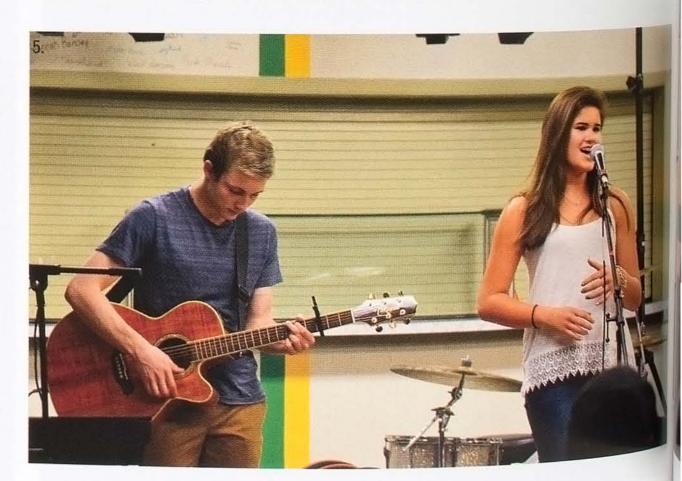
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Effortless Music Making

4. Keyboard player for the Fiasco Project, sophomore Lizzi Le Mieux, plays with her other band members sophomores Eva Clay and Jordyn Blythe.

5. Sophomores Illyana Lin and Colton Stogner wow the crowd when they perform their own rendition of Adele's "Hello." They also performed "Shut Up and Dance" by Walk the Moon.



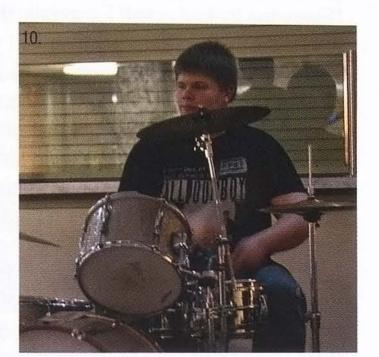


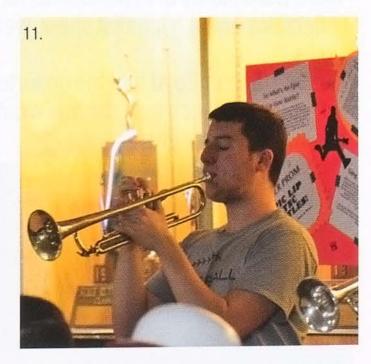




Night Full of Fun
6. Juniors Matt Stamets and Jeff Kapraun play their trombones in the Jazz Gold band. 7. Ryann Piker and her band Vapid Heights performed five songs at Palooza: "Tear in My Heart" by Twenty One Pilots, "What Kind of Man" by Florence + The Machine, "Mad World" by Gary Jules, "Heartbreaker" by Led Zeppelin, and "Hysteria" by Muse. 8. Solo performer Hannah Matthews performed three songs including "Fire and the Flood" by Vance Joy, "Let it Go" by James Bay, and U-High alum Dan Hubbard's song "Heaven in my Backyard."



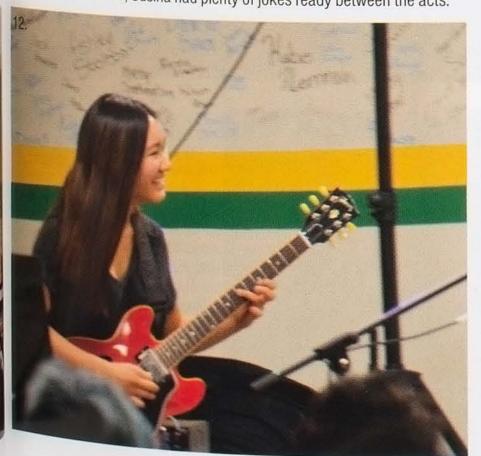




Playing the Night Away

9. The Untrained Eye wowed the crowd with their own renditions of four classic songs with senior Nate Jahiel as lead singer. Other band members include Sebastian Nassar and Alex Walbert. 10. Junior Justin Maaks
plays the driver of the Playing Bowie. "Blackbird" by The Beatles, "Macy's Day Parade" by Greenday, and "The Scientist" by Coldplay. 11. Senior Ryan Adams plays trumpet while other members of Jazz Gold play an assortment of other jazz instruments. 12. As she smiles at her lead singer, freshman Stephanie Chow plays her guitar solo. 13.

Freshman Potrick Time Death of the Death of the Processing introduces the next act to perform on stage. To Freshman Patrick Fitzgerald and seniors Katie Bridges, Cole Bateman, and Sarah Lange all play their saxophones for Jazz Gold. 14. Emcee junior Jacob Susina introduces the next act to perform on stage. To entertain his audience, Susina had plenty of jokes ready between the acts.







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### Prom at the Parthenon

On a rainy Saturday night, U-High juniors and seniors danced the night away at "Prom at the Parthenon," an Ancient Greece-themed dance. Green vines draped around ivory pillars created an elegant atmosphere at Grand March. The fun carried into early Sunday morning with a "Highly Ridiculous" After Prom. With all the sparkling dresses and styles too perfect to draw up, the night was unforgettable.

"Everyone looked great! Especially the seniors," junior Jasmyne Lawrence said. "They showed out for their last year and I will miss them for sure." The traditional crowning resulted in Jacob Mattia winning king with Mary Claire Lartz taking the tiara as queen. Lartz's crowning was especially sentimental, recalling memories from the Prom of 1975, when Lartz's father, Casey Lartz, was crowned king.

"It was fun listening to him talk about his senior prom night, and everything that he remembered about it," Lartz said. "He was so happy I won!"

This year's After Prom was "Highly Ridiculous," thanks to the hard work of the junior class parents in charge. With new activities such as Lip-Sync Battles, tricycle races, and a senior outhouse video memory experience, there were plenty of opportunities for entertainment. Everyone's favorites, inflatables and a hypnotist show, were a tradition carried on from previous years.

Senior Hannah Boyd had the opportunity of being hypnotized and said it was an experience that she has wanted to participate in since her first prom sophomore year.

"It just seemed like something that would be surreal to experience," Boyd said. "I wanted to know for myself if it was as genuine as it seemed to be sophomore year."

After the hypnotist show ended, students headed out the doors of ISU's Redbird Arena with a variety of prizes won and some new favorite memories in tow.

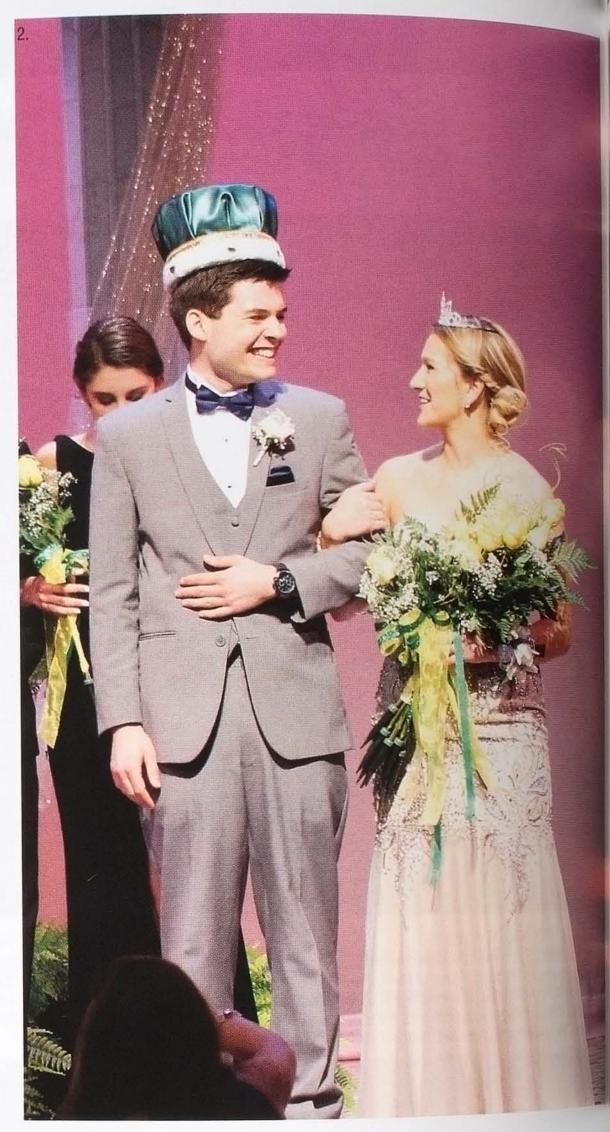
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### Seniors Making Memories

1. Despite not being able to get fully hypnotized, seniors Cassie Holmes and Ava Roper try their hardest to concentrate.

2. Seniors Jacob Mattia and Mary Claire Lartz were crowned the 2016 Prom King and Queen. "I loved being queen for a night. It was truly magical, and I appreciate it so much," Lartz said.









### A Night to Remember

3. The 2016 prom court waits in anticipation to see who is crowned king and queen.

4. In the center court area, students participated in exciting relay races. Junior Kevin LeMentec pushes junion Cree Harris in a race against their opponents.

Hypnotized students take their dancing talents to Hawaii with a



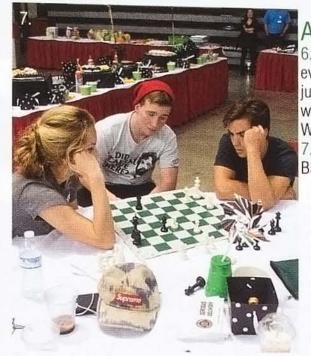
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Nap...Right?
When the hypnotist says the word "sleep," you never know where you may land. Seniors Joselyn Pena, Zach Frey and Bri Lehr rest comfortably on each others' shoulders while under his spell.



Battle of the Brothers
The Terry brothers go head- tohead to stay on the small
platforms on the inflatable Knock
your Block Off game. Senior
Duncan Terry was unable to withstand his brother junior lan

Rockin' Along
Students show off their rock n' roll
skills during the annual hypnositst
show at after prom. Senior Grace
Henderson is not shy to showing
off her gutair abilities.



#### All Fun and Games

6. Many studetns participated in one of the new after promevents the Lip Sync Battle. Senior Egerton Dover and junior Josh Henderson embrace their inner Taylor Swift while singing her hit "Shake it Off," while senior Alex Walker wraps up in a boa.

7. Sophomore Eddie Kelso strategizes with juniors Jessica Baker and Dylan Carey during a game of chess.



Lip Sync Battles
8. Junior Emily Rodriguez hits the splits while singing
Frozen's "Let it go" in hopes to make it to the final round of the Lip Sync Battle. Despite having the vote of the audience Rodriquez came up just short of winning the 50' flat screen



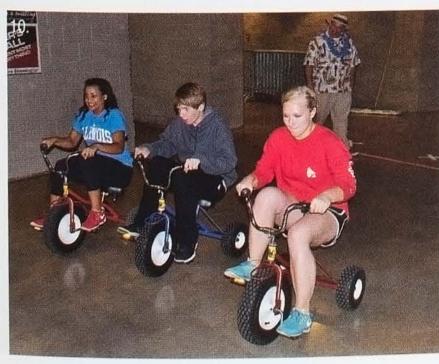
#### One Last Dance

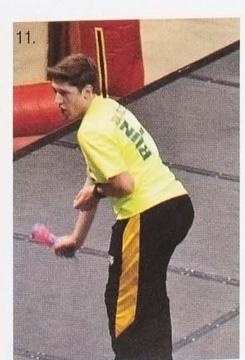
9. Seniors Sarah Lange, Amanda Waltner, John Diffor, Christina Su, and Natalie Lade get into the groove at their last high school prom.

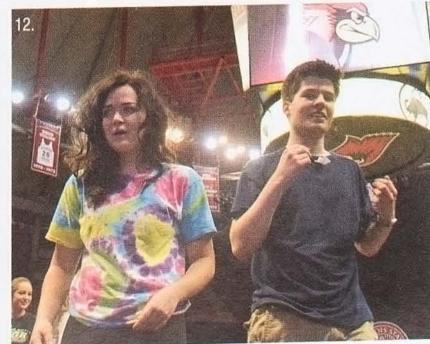


Solid Performances
10. A full lap around the concourse was no problem for juniors Janelle McDowell, Noah Franklin and Aubrie Smith on their trikes.

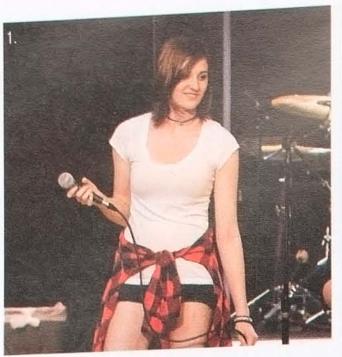
11. Junior Austin Spaulding dances and sings his heart out during "Single Ladies" to win the final Lip Sync Battle. 12. Dazed and confused, seniors Hannah Foley and Jacob Mattia aren't Sure what they woke up to after being hypnotized on stage.

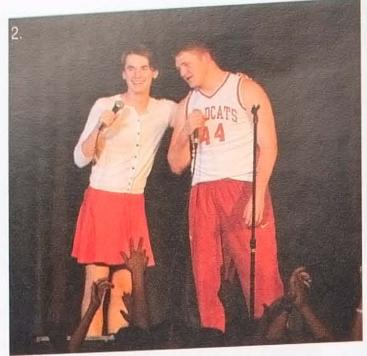






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Right on Pitch

1. Senior Alex Adams steps up to the mich sing "Dirty Little Secret" by All American

2. Seniors Peyton Penn and Logan Wolf bring back their High School Musical performance of "Breaking Free" from Mr.

3. Senior CeCe Hill hits the high notes of Want You Back" by the Jackson 5 with the help of a few of her fellow graduating

## Back to Class Night

Per tradition, Class Night 2016 was a night filled with fun, music, and recollections of the previous school year. Every year a theme is chosen to reflect the experiences and ideas of the graduating senior class.

"The theme was chosen in light of this years disscussions to restore the pioneer mascot," said Class Night director Robert Fitzgerald.

The mascot did not return, but the pioneer made an appearance with the final theme of Back to Class Night. A parody of the 1985 film "Back to the Future," the senior class went back in time in order to save Class Night in the present in the main video of the night.

Class Night included many performances by the senior class band. Their covers included songs by Weezer, The Jackson 5, Owl City, and more. "Being surrounded by so many talented musicians and friends made performing for one last time even more memorable," senior singer Jillian Campbell said. "It was surreal to sing on stage with these amazing people for the final time."

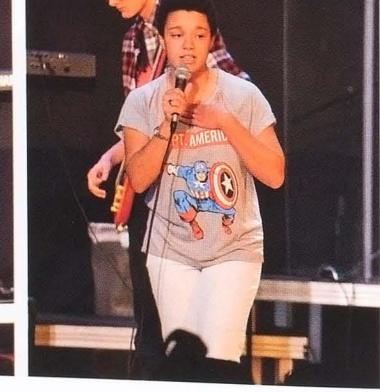
Classic student-made videos like the collection of senior baby pictures started the night and the traditional tear-inducing Senior Waves video concluded the evening.

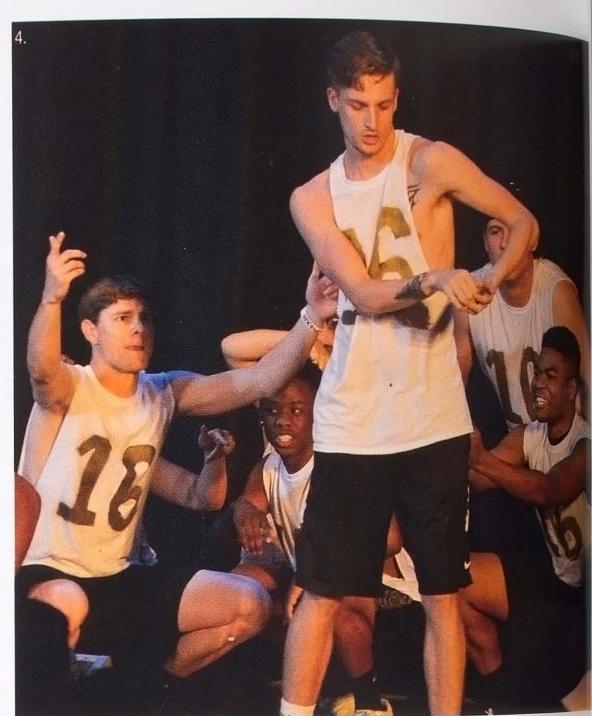
The night concluded with senior class president Grace Henderson leading the school through the ceremonial Moving Up of Classes. The school officially welcomed the new incoming freshman class and the graduating senior class was led out of Stroud for the final time.

"I remembered watching all the seniors before me up on that stage for the final time and how sad it was" senior Kara Henry said. "I could not believe it was finally my turn. That time flew by."

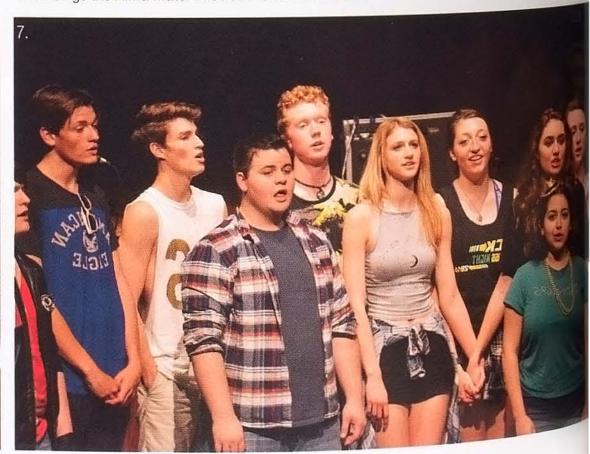
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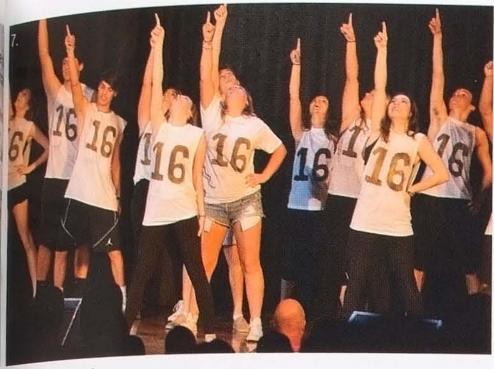




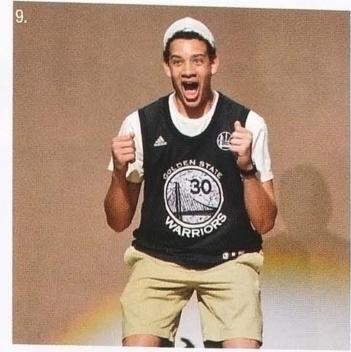
One Last Time 4. Senior Calum Smith shows off his moves as everyone gives him the spotlight during the Class Night Dance. 5. In the faculty band, Mike Sondgeroth and Jason Landes jam out dressed as the Blues Brothers. Sondgeroth surpised everyone with his sideburns and clean-shaven face. 6. Singing from her heart, senior Natalie Lade hits the notes of Fall Out Boy's "Young Volcanoes." 7. Concert Choir sings the Alma Mater in Stroud for the last time.



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Pioneer Pride

7. Finishing off the Class Night Dance with a bang, seniors point at the sky as the finishing move. 8. Senior Janel Scott is one of the singers of "Come on Eileen" by Dexys Midnight Runners, joined onstage by guitarist senior Jacob Hansel. 9. Junior Jaxon Heffner does his first rollercoaster with the whole school after inheriting the spirit stick from graduating senior Dave Phipps. 10. Senior Matt Napolitano crowd-surfs during "Island in the Sun," sung by senior Rhea Gibson. 11. The song "Misery" by Maroon 5 kicked off Class Night, with senior Marissa Jordan onstage as one of the lead singers.





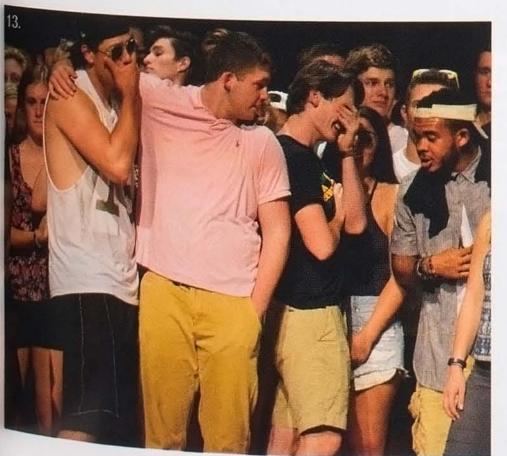


Dance It Out

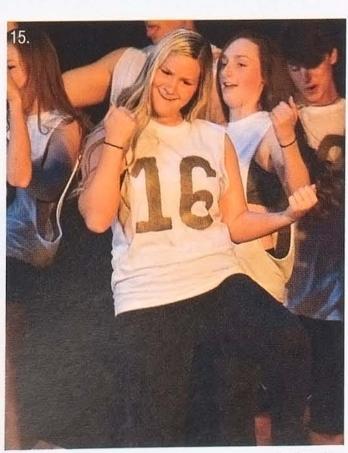
12. Senior Jillian Campbell sings "Misery" to begin Class Night. The Class Night Band was comprised of several talented senior singers and musicians,
13. Seniors Austin Galindo and Logan Wolf share a tearful hug on stage after the Moving Up of Classes. Many seniors onstage could not contain their

14. "Shut Up and Dance" by Walk the Moon was performed by seniors of the Class Night Band was comprised of several talented senior singers and musicians,
13. Seniors Austin Galindo and Logan Wolf share a tearful hug on stage after the Moving Up of Classes. Many seniors onstage could not contain their emotions and had to be told several times to remain quiet for this sacred ceremony. 14. "Shut Up and Dance" by Walk the Moon was performed by seniors.

Mia Riddell and Man Object to the folker in her favoirte part of the Class Night. Mia Riddell and Mary Claire Lartz, who ended with the song with some flair. 15. Senior Bailey Larsen "hits the folks" in her favoirte part of the Class Night







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## Going out with a 'Big Bang'





Of the 32 seniors in choir this year, 23 were four-year members. While this fact seems trivial, their experience was evident in smoothly run concerts and an extraordinarily talented group. In addition to Chorus I, Treble Choir, and Concert Choir, performers have the opportunity to get involved in several extracurricular groups such as Stella a Capella, Fifth Step, Madrigals, and Jazz Choir. These groups perform quarterly with special evenings dedicated to the jazz and madrigal groups. However, the most anticipated concert of the year is the spring medley which features senior soloists in every song. "Getting to hear everyone sing, especially those who don't sing solos often is really wonderful," senior Grace Henderson said. The medley is typically composed of nearly 30 popular songs varying in genre and time period that fit a theme voted on by senior chorus members.

"The theme this year was elements so the final title was 'Earth, Wind, and Choir," sophomore Molly Bledsoe said.

While medleys are similar in structure year to year, classes tend to find ways to incorporate personal touches. Because of the vibrant energy of this group, the "obvious" choice was to incorporate more rap than in past years.

"Having three rap songs in our final concert is definitely a different but fun change," sophomore Lauren Dubravec said.

While the medley remains a student favorite, director Chris Corpus was especially fond of this year's winter concert.

"We made it a multicultural theme. It was amazing," Corpus said. "There was a Bollywood piece, a Swahili piece, and we even added some dance moves."

Students this year posessed so much musical talent and passion that many are continuing with it in college, something not unusual to those who engage in the chorus program at U-High.

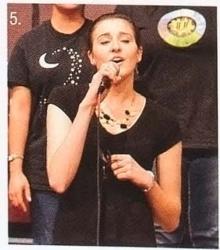
"Every year is a little bit different from the last but one thing has stayed the same," Corpus said. "That'd be the talent throughout the classes."

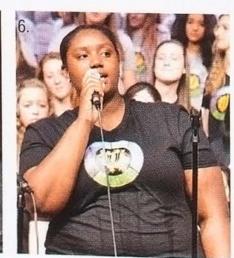
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#### Under the Se(a)niors

5. Senior Alex Adams sings during Stella a Capella's performance. 6. Senior Synclaire Halman moves the audience with her solo.

7. Belting out her solo to "Iron Man," senior Isabel Dawson captivates the audience. 8. Senior Sarah Poultney sings "Earth Song." 9. Starting out the song "Harder to Breathe," senior Allie Roop sings in tune.











#### "We Didn't Start the Fire"

1. Senior Makenzie Houston joins senior Marissa Jordan for their solos in Pocahontas' "Colors of the Wind." 2. Future University of Kansas students Kylie Personette and Kara Henry perform side-by-side their solos to "Dust in the Wind" by Kansas.

3. Senior and co-Stella a Capella leader Rhea Gibson wows the audience with her solo in "No Air."

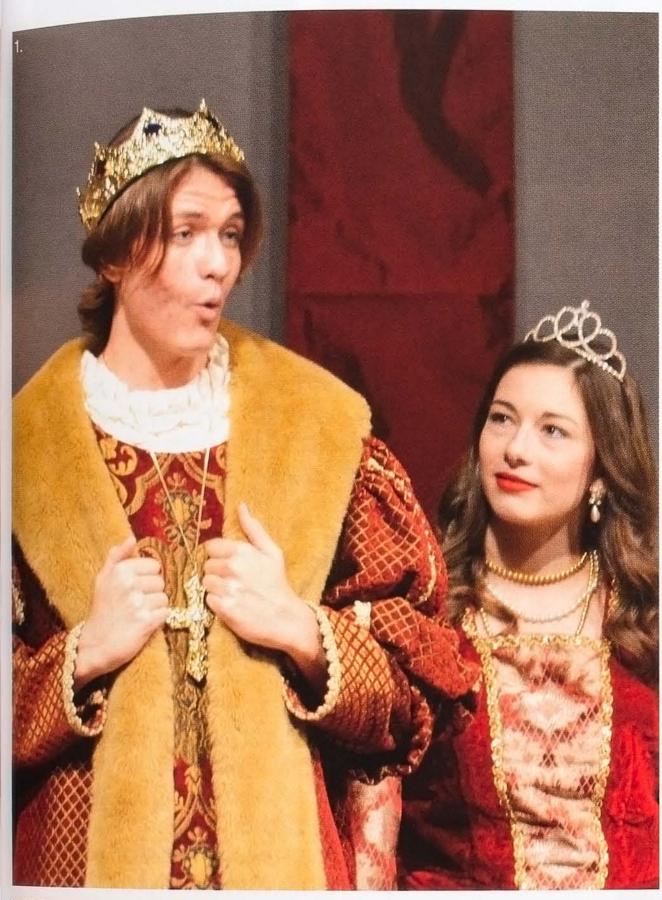
4. The soprano section adds some dance moves while singing "Ain't No Mountain High Enough," by Marvin







### Renaissance Faire





A Regal Feast

- 1. Queen Grace Henderson listens to King Andrew Loy's royal performance. 2. The Royal Court sings "Echo Song" before beginning their dinner.
- 3. Sophomore Annie Pierce entertains the crowd as a jester.
- 4. Senior Brandon Auth and junior Logan Piker share a laugh over dinner while sophomore Josh Kuhn and junior Lianna Pfister look on.











Every November, U-High's singers trade t-shirts and jeans for tights and tunics, transporting them back in time to the Renaissance era during their performances at the Madrigal Dinners.

Madrigals and Court Singers are well-prepared to portray royal characters who lived centuries before them.

"Exploring the music, what it meant, and how it was used helped me connect with how my character would feel during the song," senior Thea Cornwell said.

Despite their drawbacks, the costumes were a significant part of Madrigals' time-travelling.

"They definitely help you to get into character," Cornwell said. "But they're a pain to get into."

Senior Rhea Gibson was more enthusiastic about the costumes. "It's been 600 years since the costumes were in fashion. But I loved them, if I could've taken my blue dress with the laurels, I would have," Gibson said.

Another unique feature about Madrigal performances is the interactions between musicians. "In madrigals, you rely upon others more," Cornwell said. "Every individual needs to be prepared in order to stay together."

Gibson agreed. "It's more intimate. And madrigal dinners get the entire music department together in one place—we always made sure the instrumentalists were appreciated," she said.

The dinner-setting makes Madrigals a multidimensional evening of entertainment.

"One of my favorite songs was the Banquet Fugue. We were sitting at the table, throwing stuff, and pretending to eat while singing," Gibson said. "We didn't quite break the fourth wall, but we did something not-necessarily madrigal-style."

For the Madrigal singers, sharing their music is the best part. "My favorite memories are the days of singing, when we went to nursing homes and hospitals," Cornwell said. "That's always a highlight, because we can go out and share our music with the community."

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Royal Performances 5. Sophomore Tsara Summerlin, freshman Colin Poultney, and junior Fiona-Peterson-Quinn performed as Court Singers. 6. Junior Jeff Kapraun and senior Rhea Gibson perform. 7. Recorder players are an important part of Madrigals. 8. Senior Ethan Schlenker and junior Emily Rodriguez enjoy glasses of

9. The Boar's Head is carried in for the feast.

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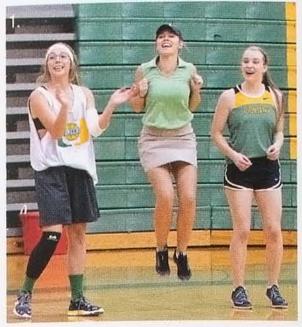
### Dodging for a Cause

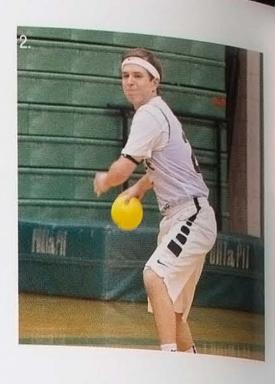
Friendly Competition

1. Juniors Jessica Baker, Quinn Johnson, and Anne Rich cheer on their team from the sidelines.

2. Sophomore Tyler Orgler winds up to throw for his team. His team, the defending champions, finished with a record of 4-2 this year.

3. Waiting for the whistle, senior Cameron Herbert, sophomore Caleb Diffor, and junior Grayson Will have an advantage at the start as they were on a team compiled of cross country runners.







Each year, students look forward to the annual Rotary Interact Dodgeball Tournament. While many look forward to its competitive nature, it also serves as a fundraiser for multiple organizations.

This year the \$700 raised was donated to The Promise Council of Bloomington-Normal and The Baby Fold. In order to make this such a successful event, Rotary Interact club began preparing for the tournament in January.

"The club members and I plan and facilitate everything," sponsor Cassie Graham said. "So that's the date, the location, the staffing, the set-up, the raffle, the bracket, the team signup, the prizes, and the publicity."

After Prom piloted a fundraiser where a representative from each class kissed a teacup pig. This served as intermission entertainment between heated game play.

"It was very intense competition; it really got the heart racing," junior participant Jaxon Heffner said.

Heffner's team competed in the championship game against a senior team. To serve as a tie-breaker, the teams competed in a "sudden death" game. Senior Joseph Hughes "out-dodged" Heffner to take the title for the seniors.

Whether it's the competitive nature or the fundraising, students helped to make it another successful event.

"The dodgeball tournament is such a great experience whether you're participating or helping to set it up," senior Rebecca Phillips said. "It's an integral part of U-High culture that I hope continues for a very long time."

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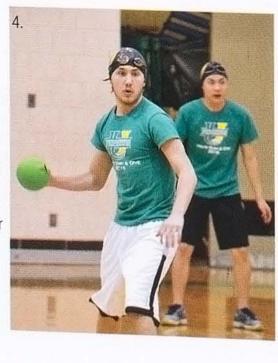
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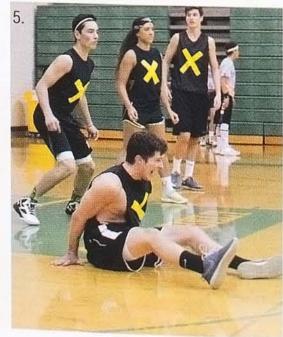
4. Sporting their swimming gear, juniors Brendon Bacon and Kyle Johnson face their opponents.

5. Senior David Phipps drops to the floor to dodge a ball as part of the winning team.

6. During halftime for an After Prom fundraiser, senior Molly Merna holds a pig for freshman Paul Africano to kiss.

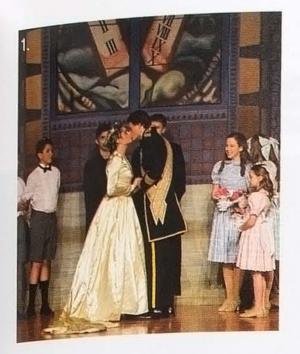
7. Senior Joseph Hughes reacts after winning in a sudden death tie breaker to win the championship game against the juniors' "Mario" team.

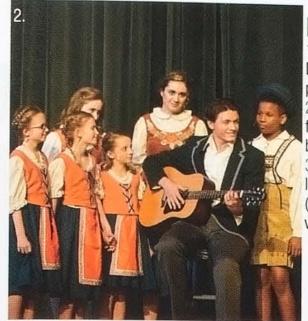












#### Love is in the Air

1. Seniors CeCe Hill (Maria) and Andrew Loy (Cpt. Von Trapp) add romance to the play with a storybook wedding scene.

2. The Von Trapp family performs together for the final time at the Kaltzberg Festival before fleeing Austria.

3. An air of whimisicality is created by a lovely backdrop of wildflowers as Maria (Hill) and Cpt. Von Trapp (Loy) embrace with a kiss.

### Do-Re-Mi-Fa-Sold Out

Behind the curtains of "The Sound of Music" a pre-show ritual unfolds that captures the creativity and energy of the theatre department.

"Before a performance we find a ginger person (or the closest person we have) and put them in the middle of a circle and wish for good luck," senior Andrew Loy said. "We put our hands on them and say, '1-2-3 kick butt show'."

Perhaps this ritual is the secret behind the theatre department's history of quality shows, or maybe it's just the array of talented students who devote countless hours to perfecting every detail. No matter the answer, the musical raised the stakes, even for seniors with many successful shows in the books.

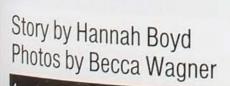
"The Sound of Music' is a bigger cast, a bigger set, and a longer show," senior CeCe Hill said. "There is more pressure because it's so well known. If you mess up in 'The Sound of Music' people are gonna know."

The recipient of five Oscars and two Golden Globes, "The Sound of Music" is a noteworthy production. The theatre department was determined to make their rendition equally so, calling upon young Metcalf actors to assist.

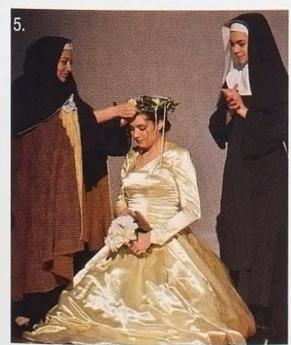
"When you have four little kids come over, it adds a different tone to the rehearsal process," Hill said. "It adds a fun-loving atmosphere; when you're down the kids will lift you up. It keeps you in better spirits."

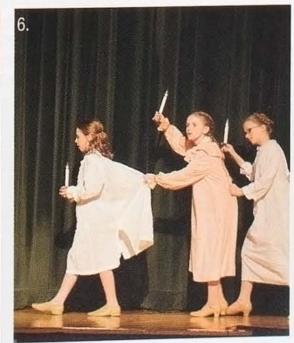
Two months after preparation began, Stroud Auditorium housed an eager audience. The crew stood ready with one goal in mind: transporting the audience to Austria. Each member understood the labor required to prepare for that exact moment.

"When you're here really late and you're working on painting, or some other activity, you get this feeling that you're going to be exhausted the next day," stage director, senior Jacob Mattia said. "And by the end of the week you're going to be dead, but you're a part of something, and what your doing is going to impact the final product." The work was worth it.











#### The Hills are Alive!

4. The Von Trapp children practice their singing before the Festival.
5. Senior Andrea Martinez and junior Emily Rodriguez (Mother Abbess and Sister Margaretta) give Hill (Maria) their blessing before her wedding.

6. Metcalf students McKinley Mitchell, Katie Bender, and Ashtyn Mitchell tiptoe through the night during a scene change.

7. Sophomore Josh Kuhn and junior Caroline McKinzie are "Sixteen Going on Seventeen."



### U Just Got Served





With three returning seniors and a very talented group of freshmen, this year's team looked to avenge last year's 20th place state finish by not only winning sectionals but by notching a top 16 mark at this year's state tournament. This year's seniors included Alex Totten, Perry Lim, and Patrick Deneen, who are all leaders in their own way. "Perry is Mr. Ra-Ra. Alex is the leader by example; he's a great tennis

player and has been for many years, and Patrick is a more of a motivational leader. He always works the hardest at practice, and always will finish first in a sprint," head coach Jon Friesen said. Totten, who has been an integral part of the team every since he joined his freshman year, admits that losing senior standout, Jack Morkin, last year left a little bit of a gap.

"He was a huge part of our team last year and he is a hard guy to replace skill-wise and personality-wise, but the freshmen that have come in this year are exceeding my expectations," Totten said.

Sitting atop the freshman class is Dorath Chamarthi, who has been comfortable assuming Morkin's role as the number one singles player. "At first there was some pressure, but it feels great to be a leader on the team," Chamarthi admits.

Rounding out the rest of the team's top singles six were freshmen Carter Burk and Thomas Moh along with no. 3 sophomore Josh Friesen.

Thanks to the team's offseason training, they gained an early advantage as the season began.

"Many kids played in the offseason, so they were ready to go once the season hit and we were good from the start," Friesen said.

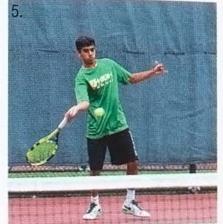
Winning their first tournament of the year and then another in March had the team rolling all the way into the final stretch. The Pioneers won their sectionals, sending six players (two doubles teams and two singles players) to State Finals.

The team had a successful run at state, scoring a total of twelve points and having each singles players and doubles teams winning at least one round. Doubles partners Friesen and Totten were most successful, making it all the way until being eliminated 0-6, 6-3, (10-7) in the sixth consolation round.

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Young and Hungry 5. Freshman Dorath Chamarthi

concentrates on a forehand shot. Chamarthi led the team as the top singles player. 6. Junior Samuel Fansler serves the ball during a JV match at ISU. 7. Friesen focuses on the court before serving 8. Freshman Carter Burk approaches his shot during an early season meet. 9. Senior Perry Lim eyes the oncoming shot at ISU. 54 Clarion









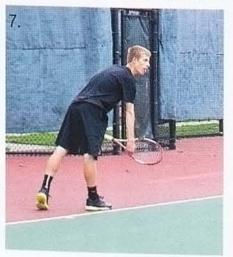
#### Go Get It

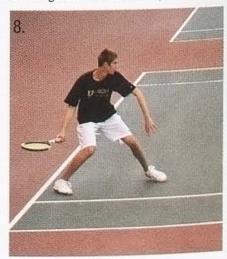
1. Senior Patrick Deneen prepares to smack a forehand shot at ISU courts.

2. Sophomore Josh Friesen eyes the ball as he starts his serve

3. Following through on a shot, senior Alex Totten executes with perfect form. Totten will continue his tennis career at Code will a continue his tennis career at Cedarville Christian College next year.

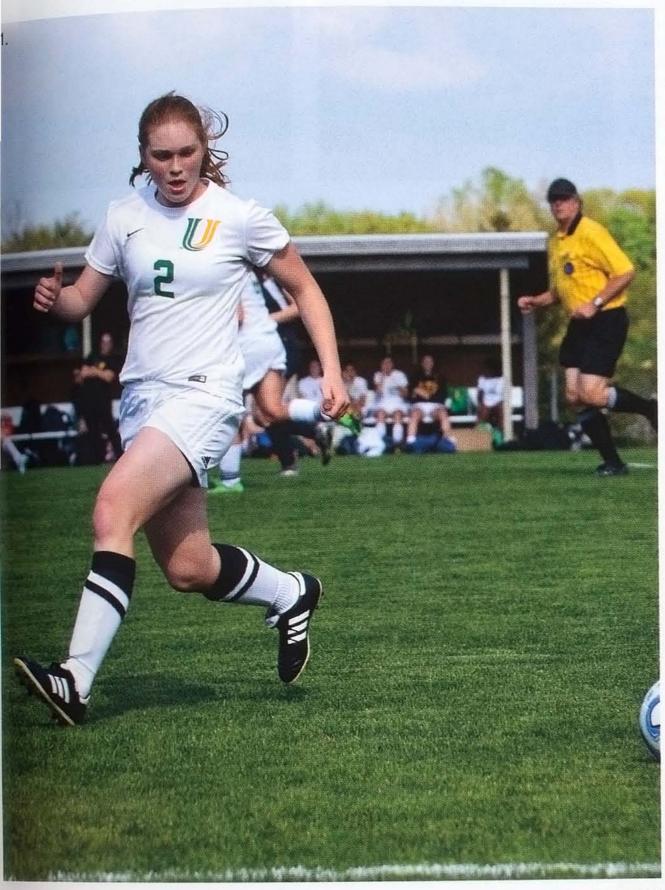
4. Freshman Thomas Moh patiently awaits a serve at Evergreen Racquet Club. Many of the Pioneers' tournaments had to be held inside at Evergreen due to complications with the home courts.



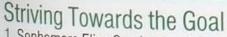




### Play with Intensity







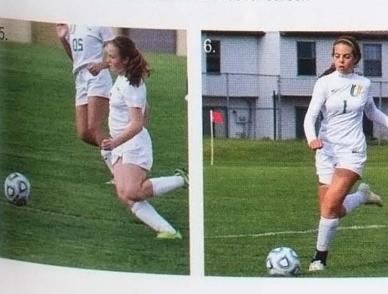
1. Sophomore Elise Crockett sprints ahead of her opponent in order to get the ball back at a home game.

2. Kicking the ball downfield, senior Emma Somers clears the ball from her half of the field.

3. Junior Advika Kamatar heads up field with the ball, hoping to score at a home game.

4. Taking control, junior Sarah LaFayette heads towards the goal. LaFayette recently committed to

Illinois State University to continue her soccer career.



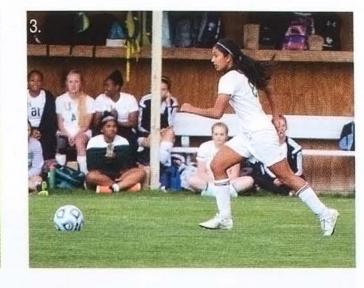






5. Freshman Julia Herrman advances the ball up field. 6. Saving the play, sophomore Cassie Trosino moves the ball towards the goal. 7. Freshman Abby Klein fights her opponent for the ball. 8. A quick throw-in by sophomore Lauren Dubravec gets the game going again. 9. After saving a goal, senior Hannah Whiting punts the ball out to





Win or lose the girls soccer team was determined to make this a good year.

"Every girl on varsity and JV are just the kind of people you want to be around," senior sweeper Emma Somers said.

This year's seniors consist of Somers, goalkeeper Hannah Whiting, and outside midfield Christina Su. Somers and Whiting have been big contributors to varsity in their four years.

"With the loss of our five starting seniors from last year, we have had to do a lot of rebuilding, but it has only made us closer," junior defender Sydney Lighty said.

Although this was a challenging year, the team environment included positive spirit and pushing hard until that final buzzer rang.

"This season has been a challenge both physically and mentally, but by far the most fun," junior Elena Hollingsworth said. "We've got a team full of quality girls, and I've loved every second playing with them."

New contributors to the varsity team consist of sophomore defender Ella Gordon, sophomore midfielder Elise Crocket, sophomore defensive midfielder Molly Day, and freshman midfielder Julia Herrman.

"Being on varsity as a freshman is such an honor," Herrman said. "Everyone is very encouraging and helps while adjusting to playing at a higher level."

Closing out their season with a record of 11-10-3, the Lady Pioneers fought until falling 2-1 to Morton in the Regional Championship game. Whiting was especially happy with how her final season ended. "We play our best when we are all working together as a team," Whiting said.

Story by Alyssa Van Valey Photos by Amanda Martin and Laura Endsley

### Left on Track

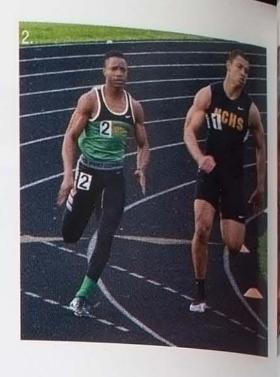
Record Breaking

1. Junior Myles Aldridge sprints around the curve during the 200m dash. Aldridge also participates in the long jump where he topped Tom Jump's 1975 school record with a jump of 22' 3".1.

2. Sophomore sprinter Jeremiah Carter approaches the finish line in a neck-and-neck 200m dash.

3. Senior Mason Bray (left) leads the way to win the 300 meter hurdles alongside senior Jordan Ho (right). "It makes practice enjoyable," Bray said of running with his future roommate and best friend, Ho. Bray's breakout season included winning conference in the 110m hurdles, 300m hurdles, and the 4x400m relay, accounting for three of his four events.





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The graduation of two state record holders left the boys track team with some large shoes to fill and some high expectations to live up to. Coming into the season with two consecutive conference championships and a sectional championship behind them, the new team anticipated reaching the same feats. "The team has completely lived up to the expectations for this

year," sophomore sprinter Jeremiah Carter said simply. "We are continuing to get better every day."

Setbacks through injuries and illness keeping didn't stop the Pioneers from winning their third Cornbelt Conference victory in a row.

"Winning conference is a big deal for the seniors to be able to do three years in a row," senior Duncan Terry said. "It's most important for the young guys though, as their ability to step up and perform not only at a varsity level but at a championship level will carry them through the state series not only this year but in future years."

Freshmen Jackson McClure, Zach Wolford, and Dane Alexander, and sophomores Harris Porter and Jared Schuckman made noteworthy contributions as distance runners to lead the team to their conference win.

"Seeing the younger guys grow and the team get close, and develop has been really fun," senior distance runner Cameron Herbert said.

However, the age of the runners has hardly affected their difficult workout regimen set by Coach Hampton, according to junior Jack Franklin. "We do less mileage because our team is young, but the intensity is higher," Franklin said.

The Pioneers won their sectionals, qualifying two relays and seven individual events for state. Advancing to finals in the prelims were the 4x800m relay, junior Myles Aldrige in both the long and triple jump, and Franklin in the 3200m run. Alridge placed seventh in both his jumping events while Franklin received third.

Story by Jon Rink Photos by Patrick Deneen and Caroline Page

#### Going the Distance

4. Senior Cameron Herbert cheers on his teammate, sophomore Colton Stogner, during the 4x400m relay at Intercity. 5. Hitting the sand, sophomore Caleb Diffor lands his triple jump. 6. Leading the pack during the 1600m, junior Jack Franklin gains speed with freshman Zach Wolford close behind. Franklin went on to win the 1600m and the 3200m at Intercity. 7. Freshman Sean Supan keeps up with senior Brendan Wall during the 1600m run.













#### ust Keep Sprinting

1. Maintaining a steady lead, junior Janelle McDowell pushes herself to the finish line in the 4x200m relay.

2. With determination, junior Ally Shepherd passes her opponent in the open 800m run. 3. Senior Kara Henry glides over the hurdle at Intercity, flashing her signature smile.

### Right on Track

Although there were little changes within the girls track program regimen during the off-season, the team still had big goals and high hopes for the coming season. John Neisler took over as head coach for Stu Shaver, and he brought about change in practices. Neisler planned practices based on the goals the team wanted to achieve.

"Neisler is a great coach," four-year participant senior Kara Henry said. "He works with all events, including the special

events and field athletes as well."

One goal in mind at the start of the season was winning the annual Intercity meet. Girls track hasn't won Intercity since 2005. In a close 4x400m race, the girls went on to be crowned Intercity champions.

"The feeling of winning Intercity was like no other," Henry said.

"It was like a dream come true for the team."

Teamwork played an essential role throughout the season. Team activities like dodgeball and obstacle courses allowed the athletes to loosen up and prepare for the upcoming meets.

"The team gets along really well," freshman Jessica McDowell

said. "It's fun to be a part of a team like this and bond." McDowell participates in four events, including the 100m dash, 200m dash, 4x100m relay and the 4x200m. McDowell has her

older sister Janelle McDowell by her side which helps with the stresses of competing.

"I molded with the team really well," Jess McDowell said. "It was great to have my sister by my side and that helped me get to

know people on the team a little better."

The family chemistry that the team had together went a long way. The girls went on to become Cornbelt Conference champions for the third year in a row. Also tying for fourth in their 3A sectionals, they had four individuals qualify for state: freshman Emmy Mussey in the 1600m run, juniors Katie Reeves

and Jess Baker for pole vault and discus, and senior Kara Henry in the 300m hurdles. Story by Noah Walker









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#### Setting the Pace

4. Freshman Olivia Shouse darts past her competitors in the 800m

5. Sophomore Brooklyn Mosely throws herself across the finish line in a close race, putting her over the edge to win the 400m dash.

6. A proud smile forms on the face of junior Katie Reeves as she gives teammate Jessica McDowell a high

7. Sophomore Carrington Walker starts off the 400m on a strong foot.



### "Hum Neers"

This season twelve new players were introduced to the varsity baseball team, bringing the team total to 20 players. Of these 20 players, five are seniors of whom four are playing college baseball: Jay Burton and Jon Rink are Illinois Wesleyan commits, Zach Frey a University of Illinois at Springfield commit, and Andrew Ponce, a Knox College commit. The starting lineup consisted of seven returning varsity players who contributed to a very strong and experienced team for new players to learn and follow.

"The chemistry that we have built is what we can attribute to our record," said senior captain Rink describing this year's team.

Rink is one of the four senior captains including Frey, Austin Galindo, and Ponce. These four individuals have stepped up to lead the team a composed powerful group of athletes.

"This year, our captains have done a pretty good job of bringing a lot of different guys together," junior Billy Mote said. "It creates a really good atmosphere to play and work in".

Continuing in his second year as head coach for this program, Steve Paxson explains U-High baseball in two words: "Never quit". Paxson's motto is that they strive to accomplish every year is to focus on process over outcome.

"We try to figure out the process of how to win by playing fundamental baseball," Paxson says. "Versus attaching the outcome of performance as our ultimate goal."

Beating intercity rival Central Catholic 5-4 set the tone for the rest of the season.

"Every year they are a solid team and so are we, so to be able to play each other is wonderful," Ponce said. "Usually it's a really good game and a lot of spirit and heart go into our games."

The Pioneers ended their season with a record of 23-8, after falling 1-0 to LaSalle-Peru in the 3A regional semifinal.

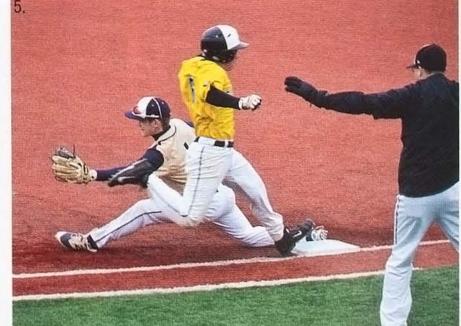
"In the end it is just a game," Rink says. "And what's important is the relationships you build with the guys you are working with."

Story by Amanda Martin

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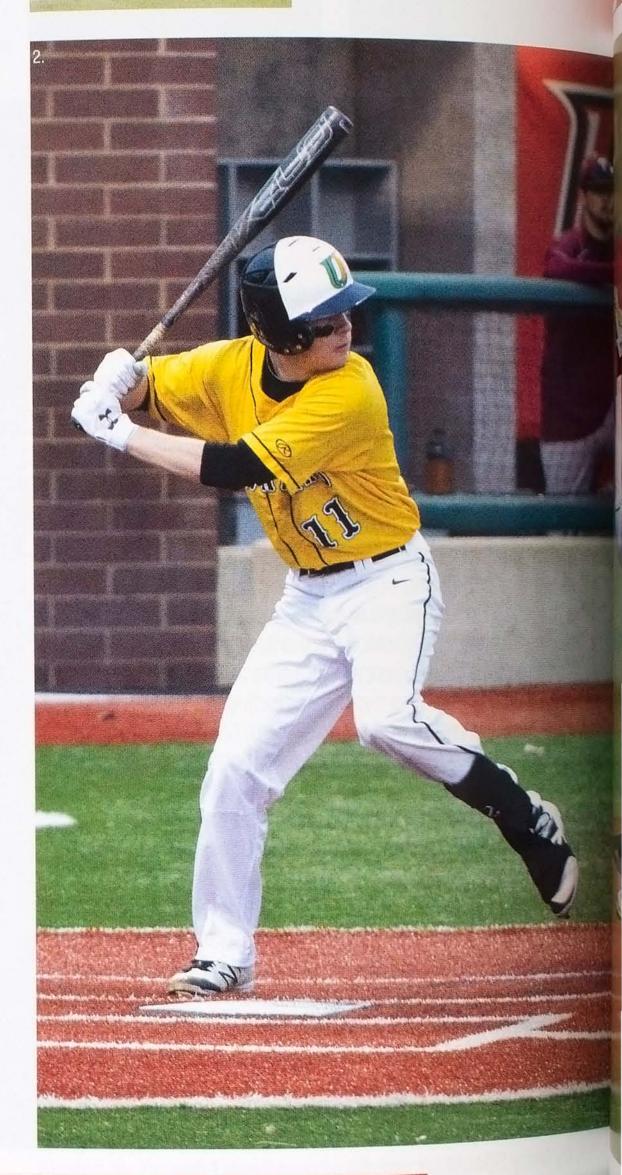




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1. Senior Jay Burton hits the ball for a single against

2. Keeping his eye on the ball, senior Zach Frey waits to swing at the pitch. Frey contributed to this season with a batting average of .410 alongside a season record of most bases stolen and most doubles.



Reaching First

3. Players in the U-High dugout rally during a home game against Tremont. The U-High dugout cheering each other on is what players say is the highlight of each

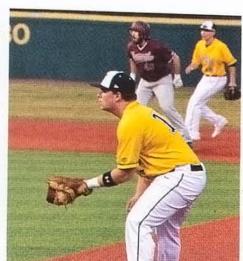
4. Coach Steve Paxson congratulates third baseman and senior captain Jon Rink after hitting

Taking one last stride, junior Rya a homerun. Poland reaches first base and is safe.



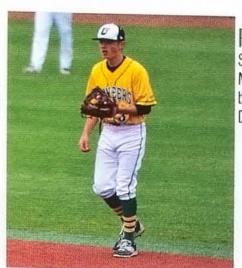


Brotherhood of Players In a game against Tremont, junior starter Billy Mote awaits a pitch at shortstop. "It's such a good atmosphere to play in," Mote says.
"We have such a close team."

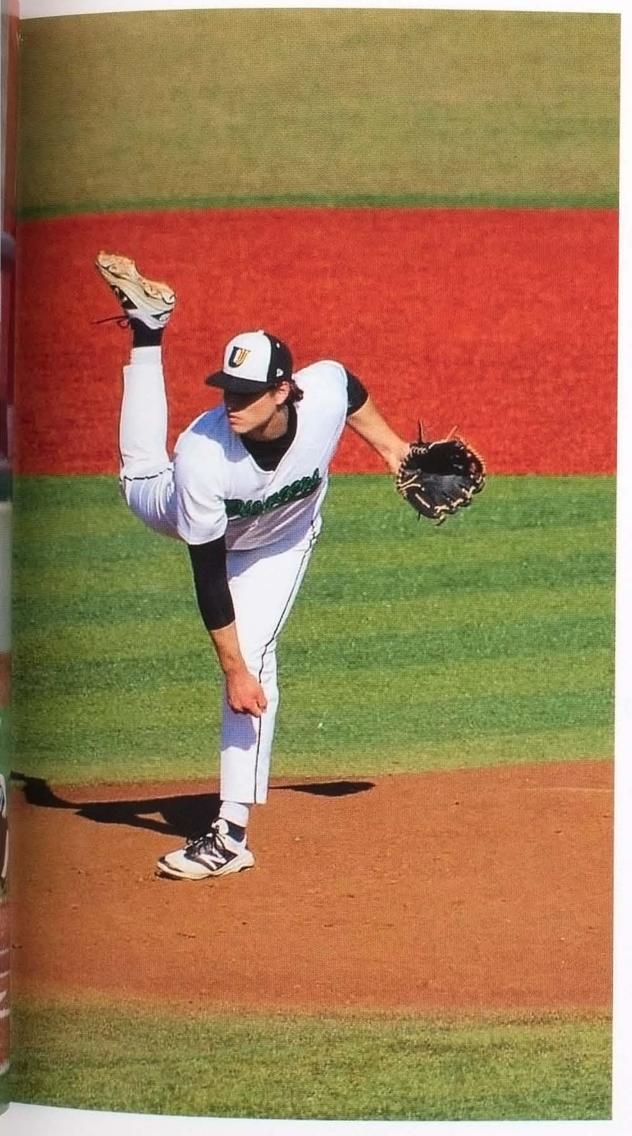


Eye on the Ball

"It's been a challenging experience knowing the team depends on me to make plays and back them up," junior John Gibson says. "But that also makes me a little sharper and play with more little sharper and play with more intensity." This is Gibson's first year starting on varsity.



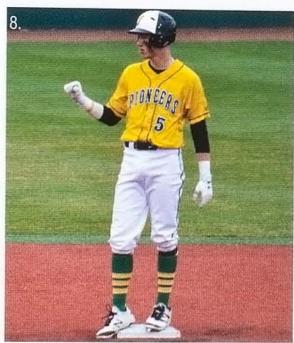
Ready for Anything Starting second basemen Matt Mosele gets in ready position before a pitch against Peoria Notre Dame.



One Team, One Goal

6. "The fact is that not only can I call them my friends, I can call them my brothers on and off the field," senior Austin Galindo, four year varsity player, relfects on his favorite part about the baseball program. Galindo contributes a big leadership role, often leading the team in a motivational huddle and prayer as a pre-game ritual.

7. Junior Beau Hendren starts running for a pop-up in right field in an away game over Auburn that ended with a 3-2 victory.



Burton.

"Process over Outcome"

8. On second base, junior Jake Armstrong calls a play to his teammates after hitting double. This is Armstrong's second year on varisty baseball playing as a catcher. Armstrong's season has consisted of strong at-bats and defense to contribute to this season's record.



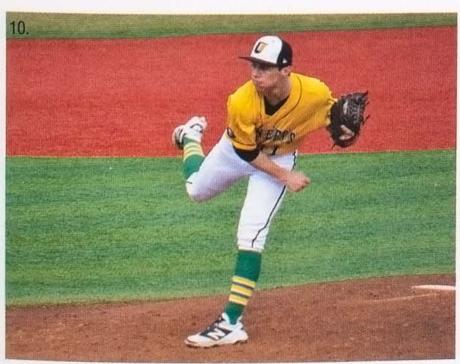


### Taking the Mound

10. Senior Zach Frey finishes the pitch.
Frey will be attending University of
Illinois at Springfield as a 'pitcher-only' position for the Prairie Stars baseball

11. Taking the sign from catcher junior Jake Armstrong at a home game against Tremont, senior Andrew Ponce waits to pitch.

12. Before every game, the team gathers for a prayer led by senior Austin Galindo







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### "Don't Stop Swinging"

This phrase was printed across the back of the softball shirts this year to get the point across that the Lady Pioneers stay aggressive at the plate. Sophomore Lexus Tennison had a strong start that persisted throughout the season.

"Being in the three hole, you got a lot riding on your back," Tennison said. "I have to keep pushing and keep on getting better to improve the team." Having to fill new roles from the past year because of graduation, the Lady Pioneers really came out ready with a lot of team chemistry. The girls started the season well and continued throughout the year, putting them in a good position to win several games.

"Our energy throughout the whole season was amazing," senior Alyssa Van Valey said. "We went up against state-ranked teams and never backed down despite how tired we were."

Tennison led the team in hits, but also was very helpful as the catcher catching seniors Van Valey and Mia Riddell.

"Getting to catch for those two for the second year in a row is awesome," Tennison said. "We really connected with each other and we work very well together."

Winona State commit Van Valey took the mound again for the fourth straight year.

"It was great going out there one last year and see the hard work that I have put in pay off," Van Valey said. "There's always been bumps in the road, but we have always gotten through them."

Returning for her fourth year as a pitcher as well, Riddell had a big role during the season typically closing out the games.

"One of the things that is great about pitching in those situations is that you know that your team has your back," Riddell said. "I owe all the team wins to the team."

The Lady Pioneers finished out the season with a final record of 17-13, their year concluding with an 11-10 loss to Peoria Notre Dame in 3A regional semifinals.

"Being on this close of a team was one of the best parts of high school," Riddell said. "It makes my day more fun and makes the season a lot better. I love all of my teammates."

Story by Zach Frey

Photos by Patrick Deneen, Brett Drake, and Amanda Martin and courtesy of Nicole Tennison and Steve Van Valey









Hitting Dingers 1. Senior Laura Dulee launches a ball into the outfield for a double against Pekin. "This year was really fun, we were able to grow into a

family," said Dulee. "I'm interested to see how the team grows more next year." 2. Senior Bailey Larsen, junior Jasmyne Lawrence, and sophomore Danielle Witzig run off the field after a diving play against Normal Community High School.



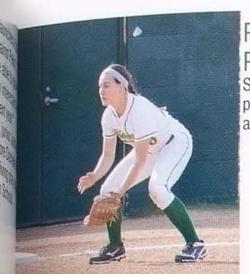
Hit the Ball

. Loading up to hit the ball, sophomore Danielle Witzig is rea against Central Catholic. 4. Senior pitcher Mia Riddell win

up for the pitch against Pekin at Illinois Wesleyan.

5. Stepping into her swing, fresh Macy Tongate braces herself for pitch in a game against Central Catholic.

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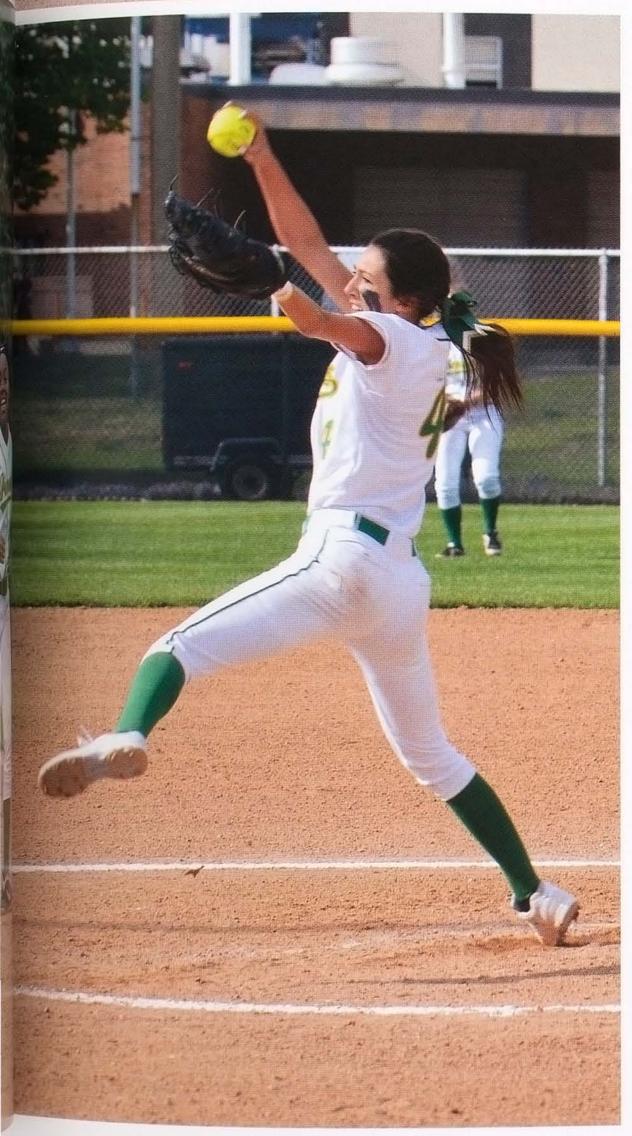
Practice Makes Perfect Sophomore Danielle Witzig prepares to field the ball against rival Central Catholic.



The Perfect Duo Sophomore Lexus Tennison and senior Alyssa Van Valey make a plan before the game during an away tournament at Washington.



Eye on the Ball
Running to the ball in left
field, freshman Jayda Kiefer
makes a catch against
intercity rival Central Catholic.







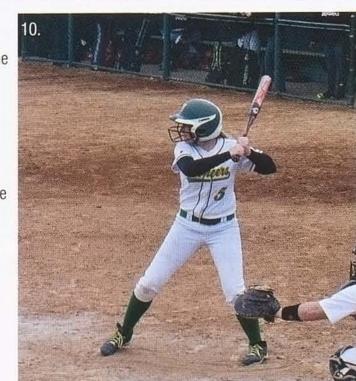


Going, Going, Gone
6. Senior pitcher Alyssa Van Valey delivers a strike to the catcher against Central Catholic.
7. As the pitch comes in, sophomore Avery Cole gets ready to swing and hit the ball against Pekin.
8. Senior Bailey Larsen swings at hit the ball against intercity rival Normal Community High School on Senior

intercity rival Normal Community High School on Senior Night. Larsen missed most of the season with a knee injury, but finished the end of the season playing with the Lady Pioneers.

9. Junior Becca Wagner and senior Ali Paxson get in their ready position during a home game against Pekin.

10. Senior Ali Paxson loads up for a pitch against Pekin at Illinois Wesleyan.



Get Ready
11. After winning the Mattoon
Fournament, the team "dabs" with

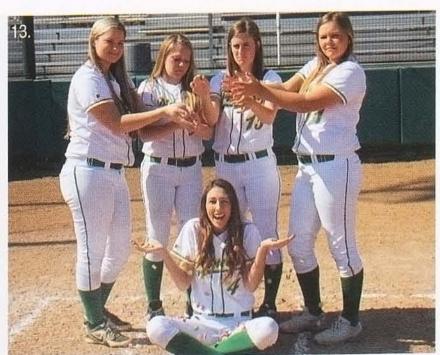
heir trophy.

12. Senior Laura Dulee throws the Dall from left field during a away Jame at the Mattoon Tournament.

13. A team tradition, senior Alyssa Van Valey gets starbursts dumped Din her by her fellow seniors Bailey Larsen, Ali Paxson, Laura Dulee and Mia Riddell on Senior Night.







### Alumni at Last

New graduates couldn't contain their excitement as they walked, danced, and waved their way across stage to receive their diplomas.

There were two student speakers who shared how U-High had impacted their lives and shaped their futures. The first speaker was Christina Su who spoke about what U-High taught her.

"I had a huge list of things I had learned, so with some help I made it into the top 5 most important things I thought we learned and that we should take away from U-High," Su said.

Even though it could be hard to get up in front of all your classmates, family, and friends, Su didn't even hesitate to speak.

"I definitely had so much to say about my years at U-High so I figured the best way to tell all of them would be at graduation," Su said.

The second speaker was Andrea Martinez, who spoke in regards to the relationships formed over the years and how they will influence her future. The senior class was filled with students whose parents work at the school. These duos were: Ali and Steve Paxson, Kelsey and Karen Valouche, and CeCe and Jeff Hill. This made the ceremony extra special because each parent gave a diploma and hug to their child.

"It was satisfying giving her the diploma," S. Paxson said. "She has been to four schools so it hasnt been easy, but it is good to see her happy." Ali is going to Heartland for softball and living at home which makes her dad happy as well.

Graduating meant all the long nights of studying and hard work is over... until college. Emma Somers is especially excited.

"Graduating meant that all of our hard work had finally paid off," Somers said. "I will remember hearing all of my classmates names being called and the smiles on their faces as they got their diplomas for a long time." Fifteen members of the class of 2016 earned the highest valedictorian honor that they will remember forever.

Thanks to the hard work of the entire group, the class received over \$13,000,000 in scholarship funds.

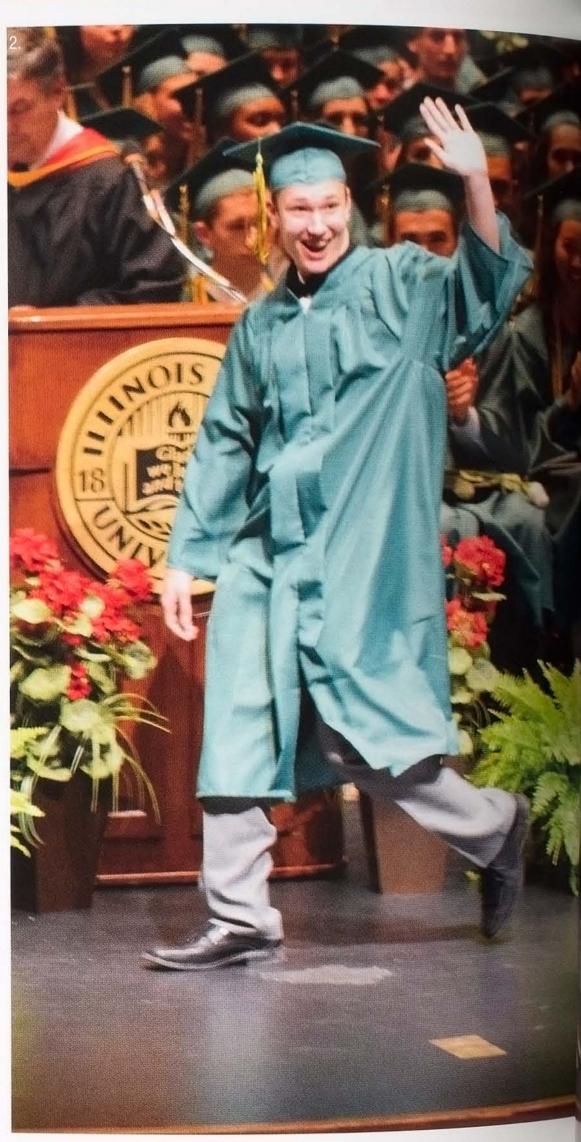
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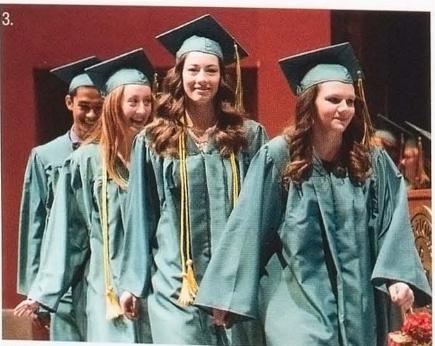


Let Your Light Shine

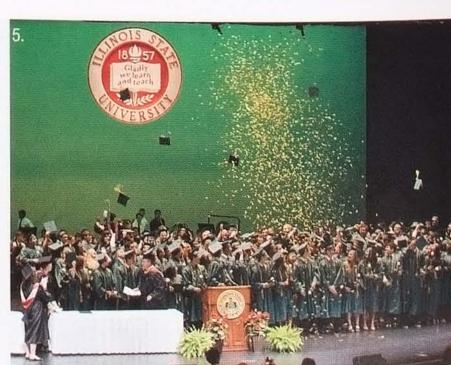
1. Lab School Superintendent Dr. Jeff Hi
hugs his new graduate and daughter
CeCe Hill after handing her her diploma.

2. Waving to his family and friends,
Mitchell Zook is thrilled to graduate.









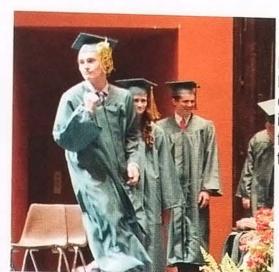
Con-GRAD-ulations!

3. A line of graduates march in a the beginning of the ceremony.
4. Larissa Webster shakes hand with a faculty member on her was out of the ceremony, thanking them for all their help over the years.

5. The class of 2016 toss their caps into the air and confetti fall as graduation comes to a close.



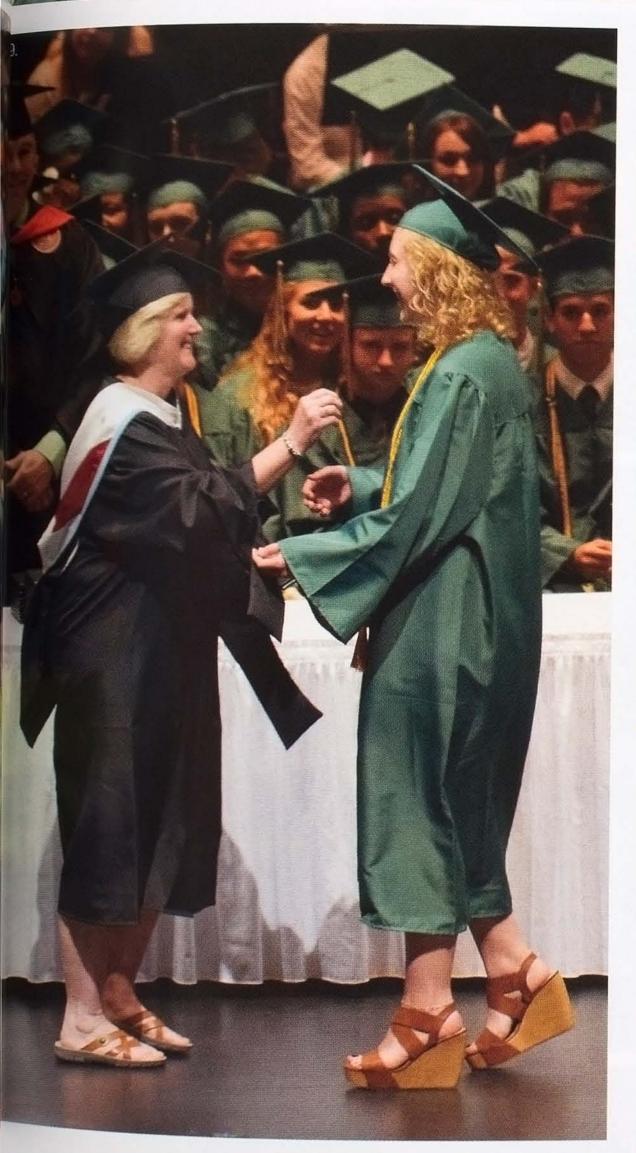
Sentimental
Moments
Jordan Ho hugs athletic
director Wendy Smith,
thanking her for her hard
work and dedication over
Ho's past four years.

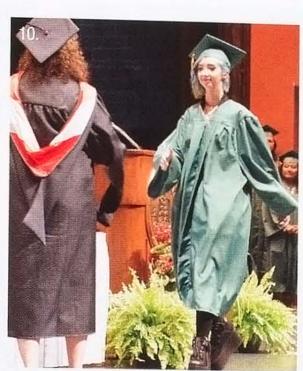


Lasting Memories
Prior to getting his diploma,
Peyton Penn does one last
dance across the stage,
inciting laughter from both his
fellow graduates and the
families in the audience.

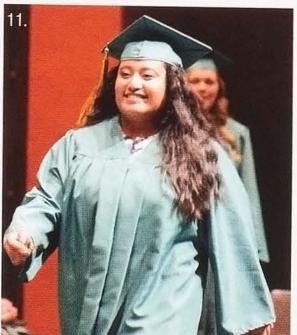


All Smiles
Brittany Adams smiles as she shakes Principal Andrea
Markert's hand, receiving her new diploma.



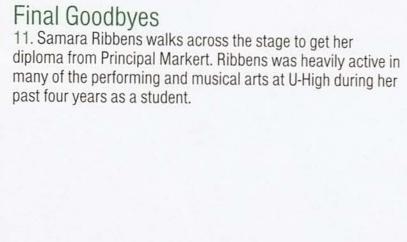


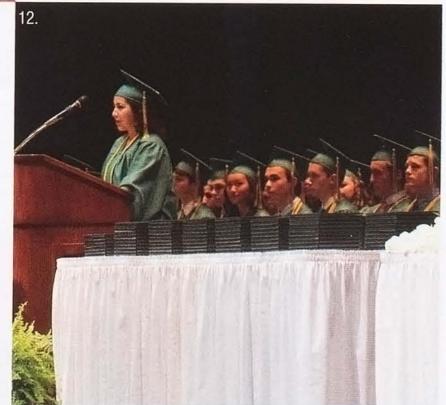
With Flying Colors
9. U-High Counselor Karen Valouche greets her daughter,
Kelsey Valouche, with open arms and a big hug onstage.
Valouche was then handed her diploma by her mother.
10. Roxy Ratajski struts across stage to meet Principal
Markert and receive a handshake and her diploma. A prime
art student, Ratajski contributed many pieces of literary and
art work over her past years as a student.



Class Act
12. One of two student speakers, Andrea
Martinez, gives a speech about her time
at U-High. Martinez discussed the nature
of human relationships and how these
relationships affected the graduating

class over the years.



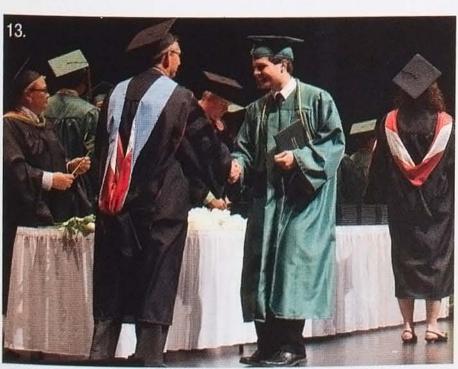


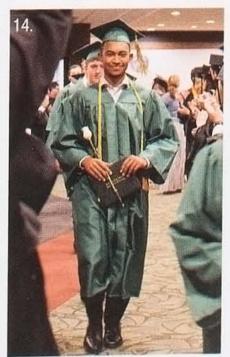
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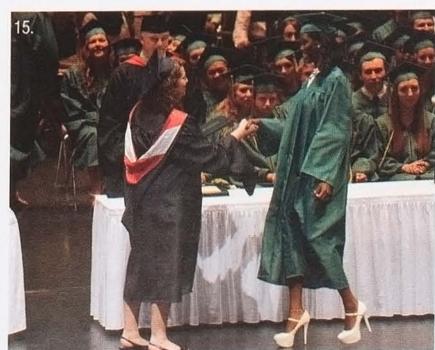
13. Valedictorian Jacob Mattia shakes Superintendent Dr. Jeff Hill's hand after receiving his diploma.

14. After finishing the ceremony, Alex Browning marches out of Braden for the final time with a smile.

15. Chante Stonewall shakes hands with Principal Andrea Markert as she receives her diploma.



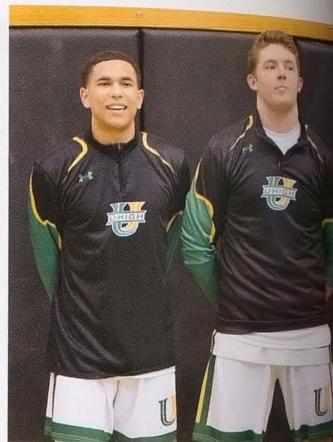




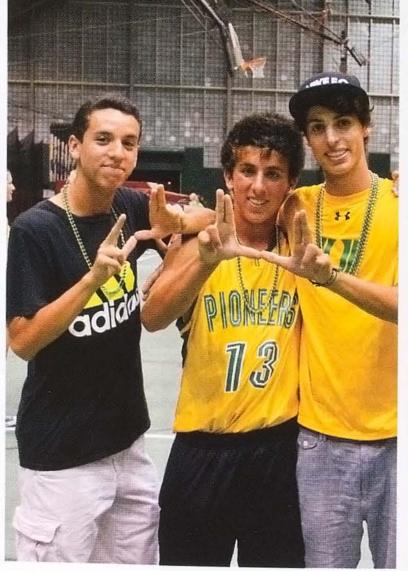
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# Semiors

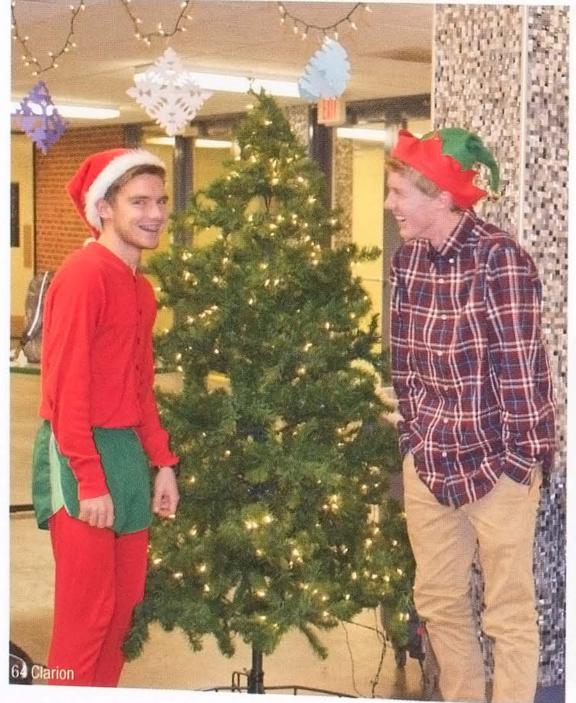










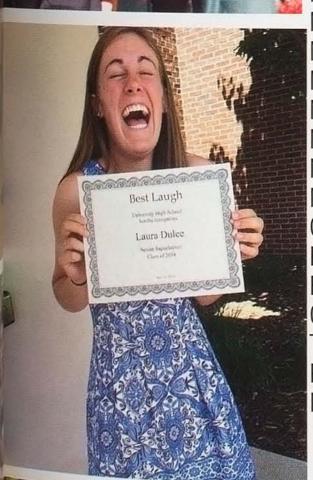




### Superlatives



Class Clown Miss Congeniality Mr. Congeniality Best Laugh **Biggest Smile** Class Mom Class Dad Most Artistic **Cutest Couple Biggest Bromance** Best Female Athlete Best Male Athlete Most likely to be an Olympian Likely to be Famous Likely to need a ride Best Dressed Male **Best Dressed Female** Likely to be President Win Nobel Peace Prize Likely to be a Millionaire **Prettiest Eyes** Talks least, says the most Talks most, says the least Best to take home to mom & dad Biggest Flirt **Probably Sleeping** Most Pioneer Pride Biggest Trouble Maker Most Sarcastic Life of the Party Most likely to Succeed Most likely to be next the Einstein Most likely to be Disney Princess Most likely to get away with murder



Most likely to Succeed
Most likely to be next the Einstein
Most likely to be Disney Princess
Most likely to get away with murder
Most likely to win the Hunger Games
Most Accident Prone
Most likely to travel world
Most Huggable
Class Chatterbox
Best Hair
Best Makeup
Class Blonde
Tardiest
PE Try-Hard
Most Photogenic

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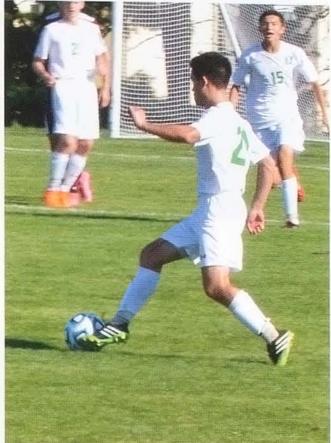
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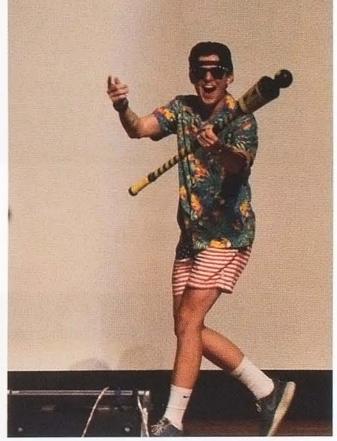
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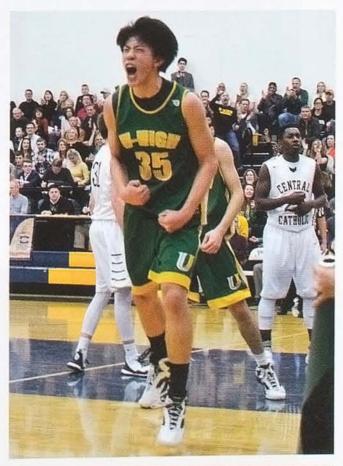
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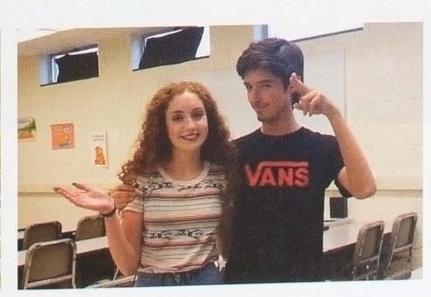
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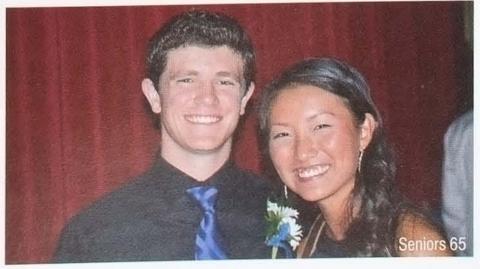










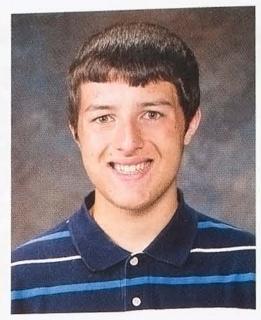




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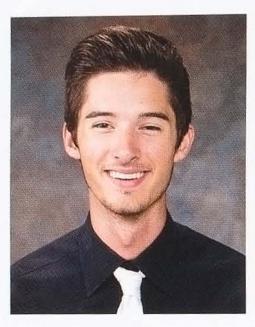
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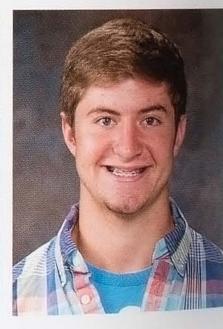
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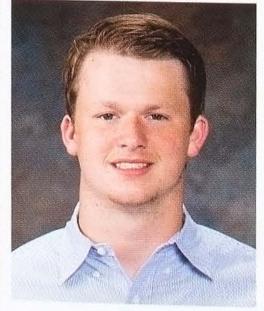
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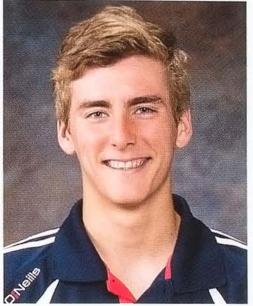
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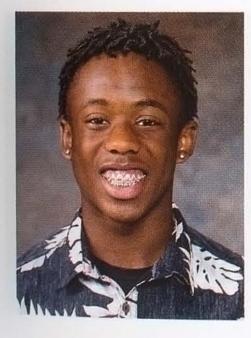
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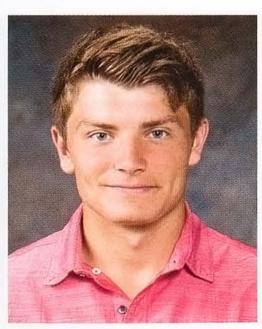
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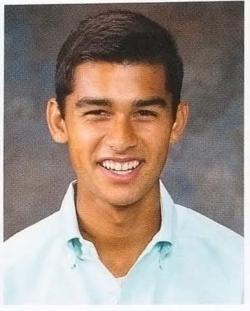
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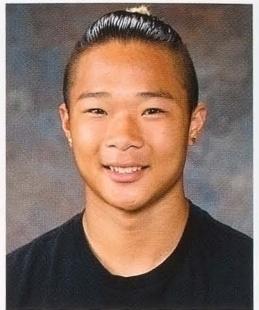
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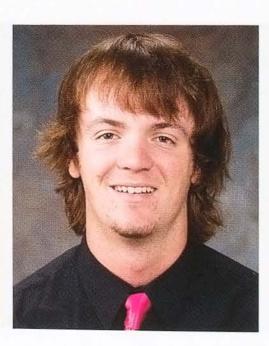
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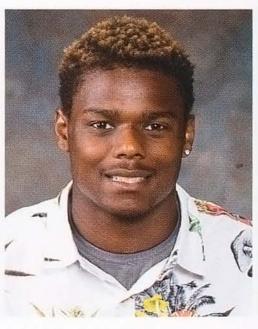
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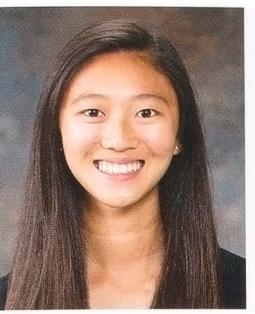
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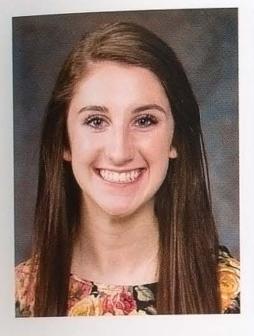
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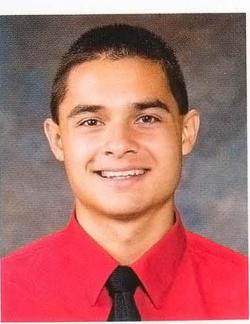
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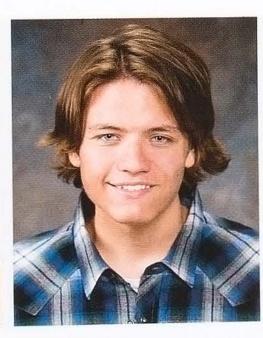
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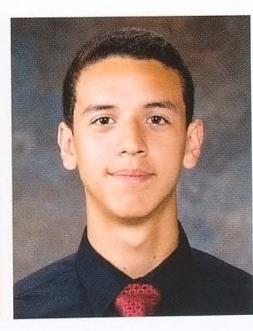
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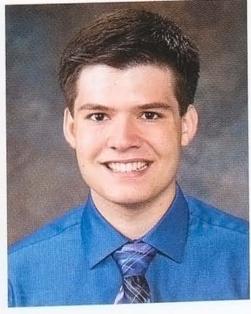
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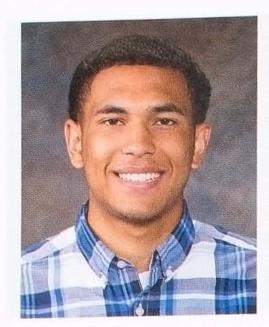
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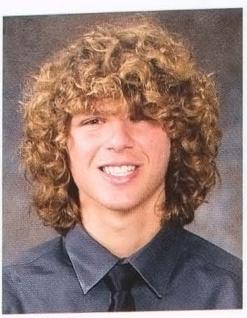
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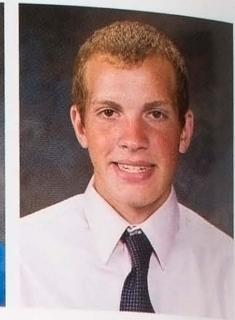
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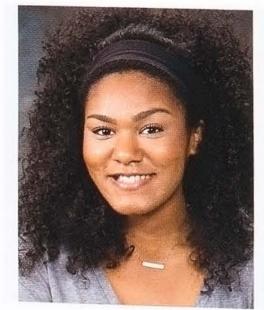
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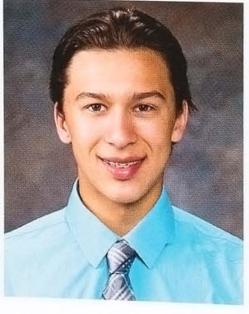
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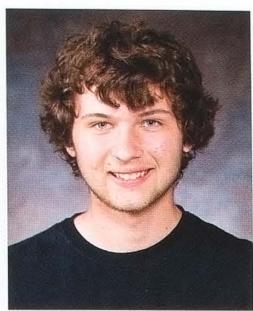
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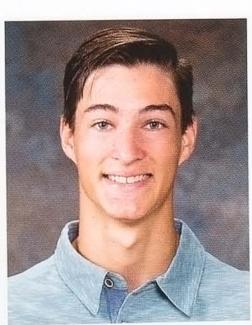
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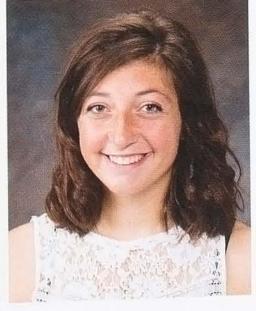
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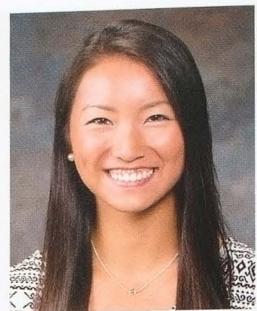
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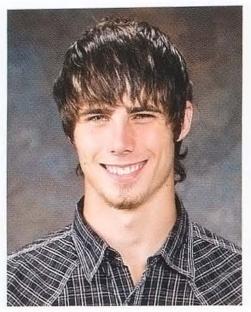
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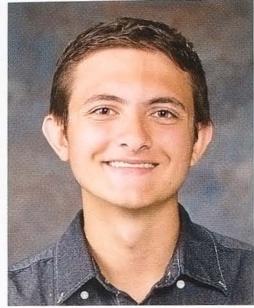
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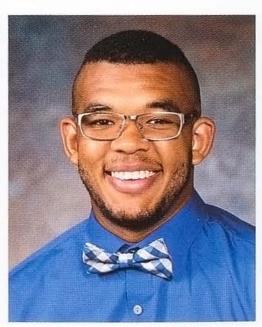
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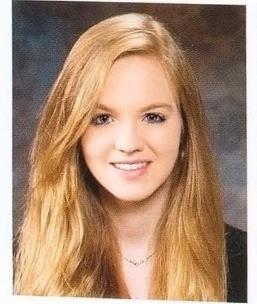
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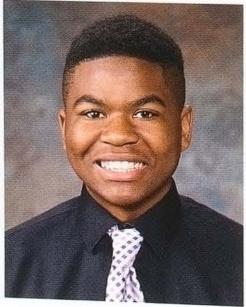
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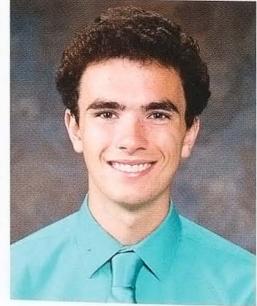
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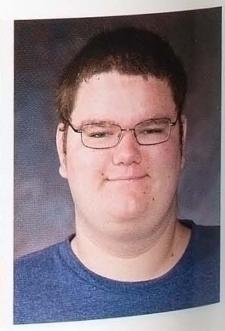
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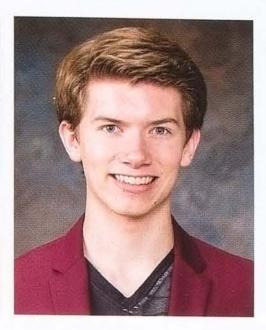
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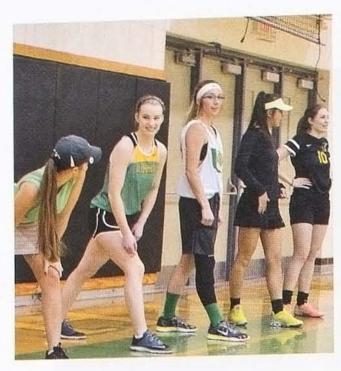


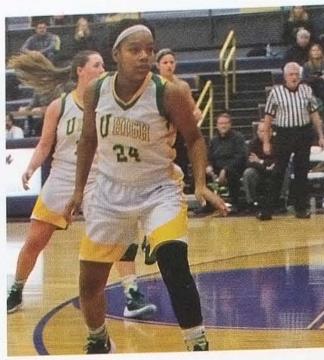
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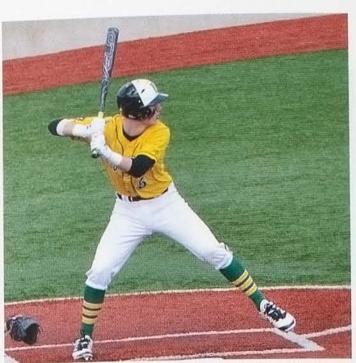


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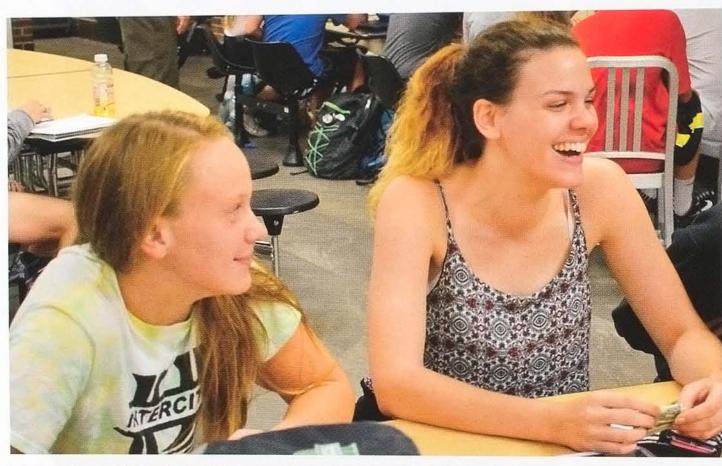






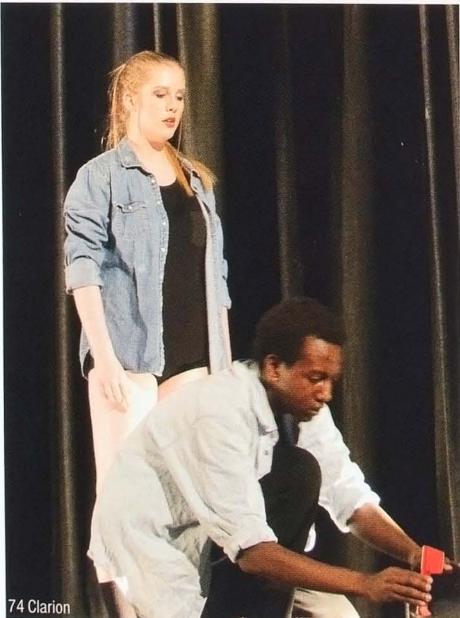


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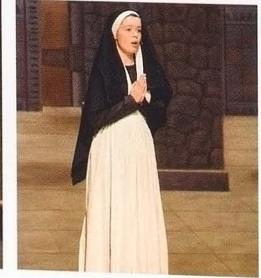






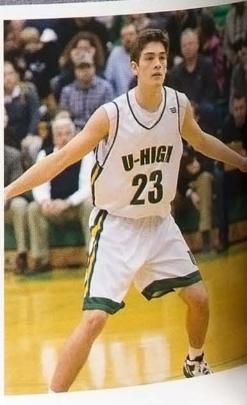






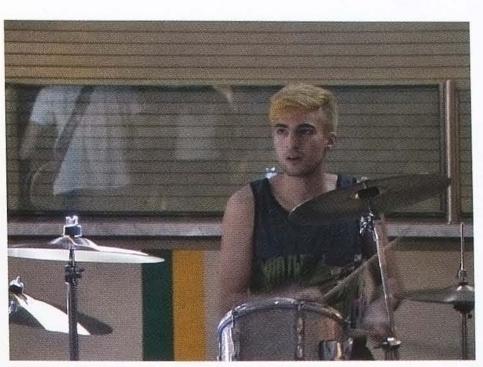




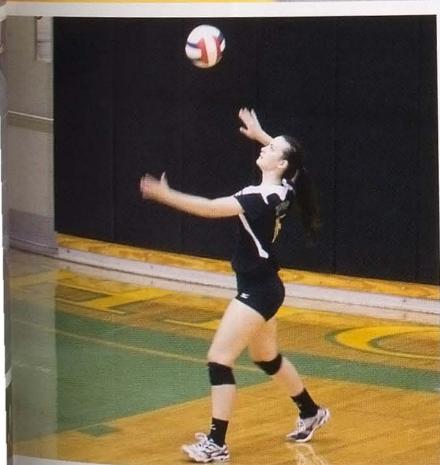






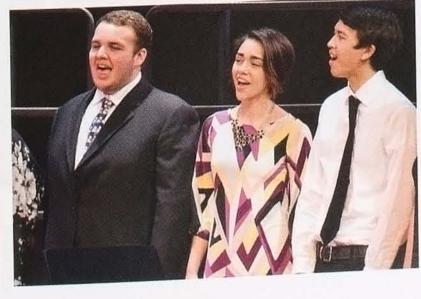


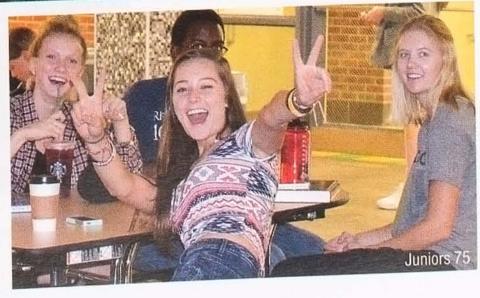






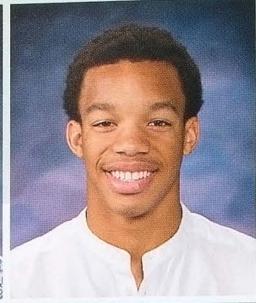




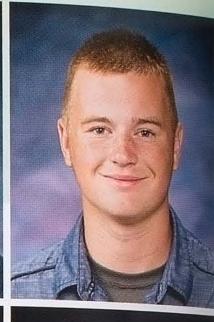


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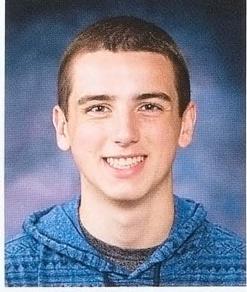




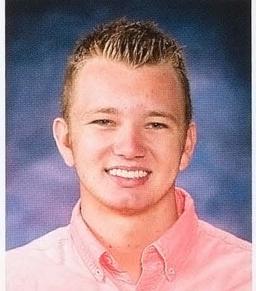


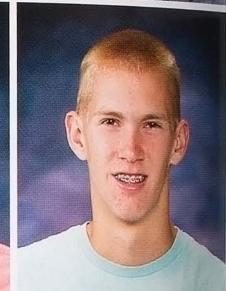


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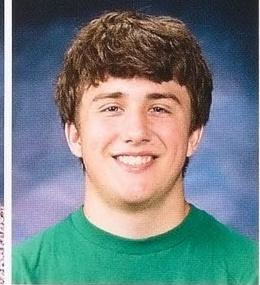






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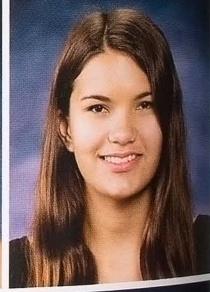


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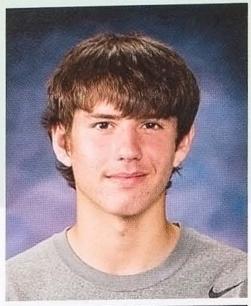
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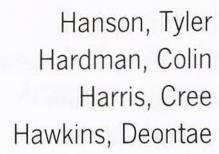
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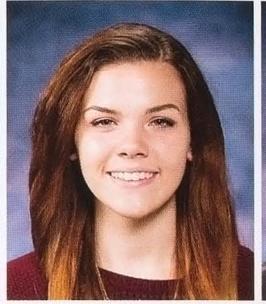










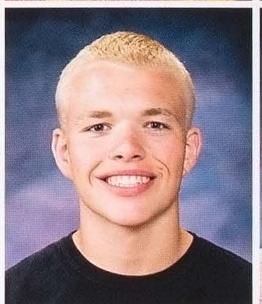




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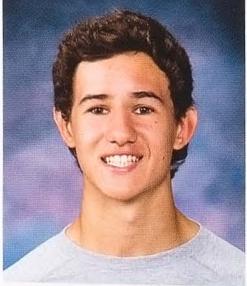








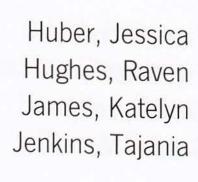
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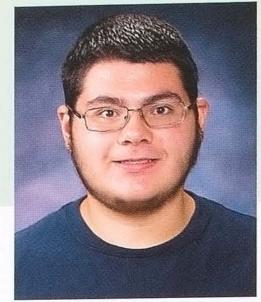






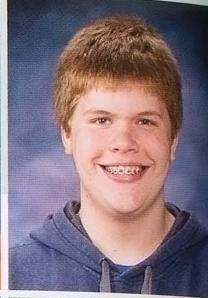


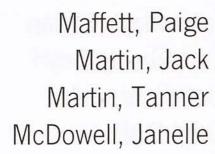
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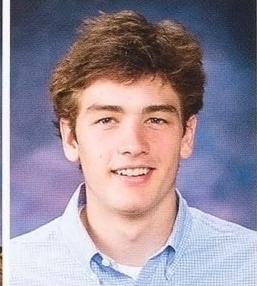


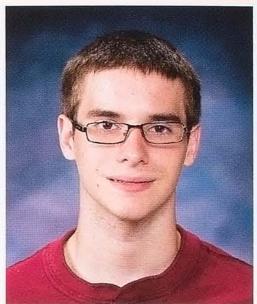






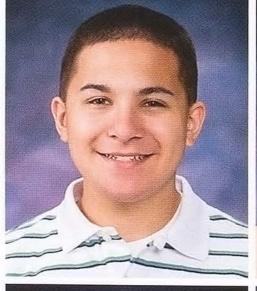








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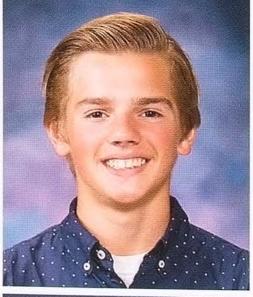


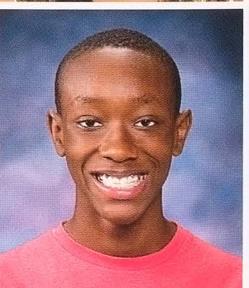




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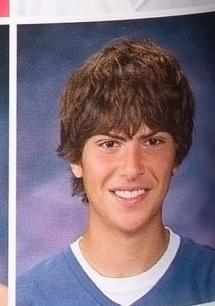


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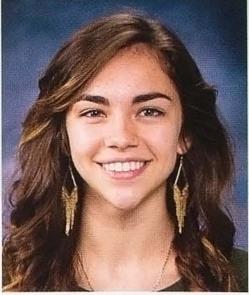




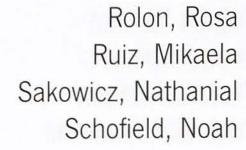
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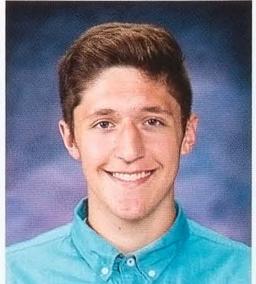


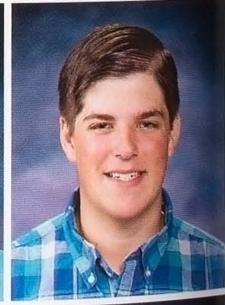


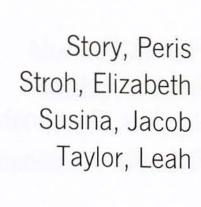
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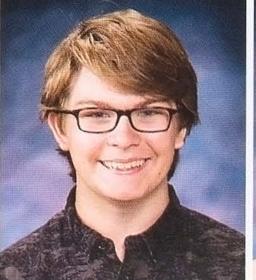










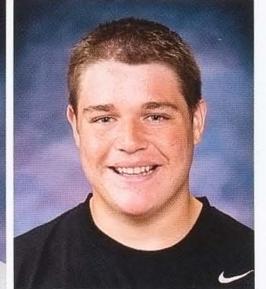








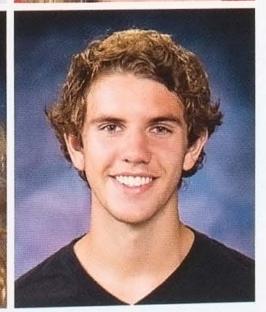
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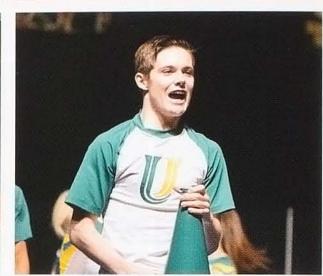
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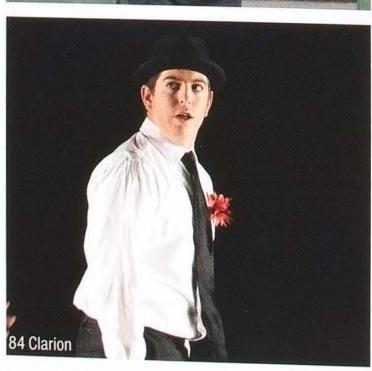






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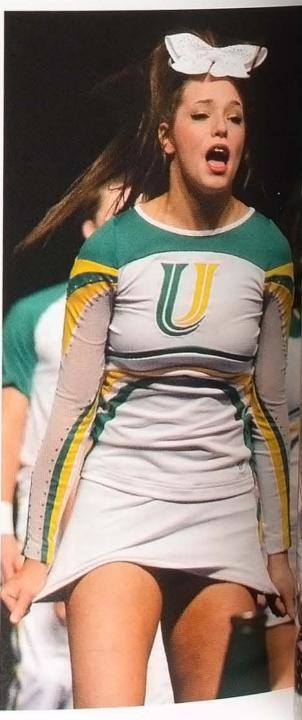




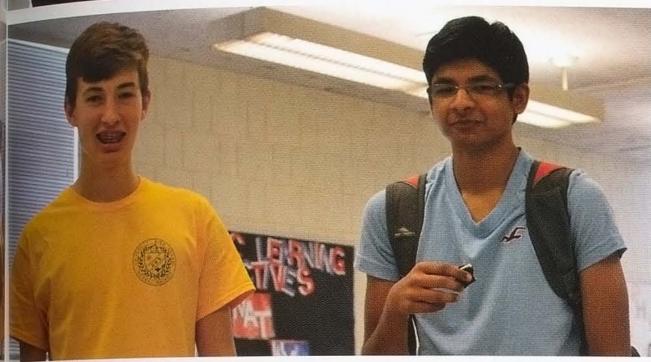








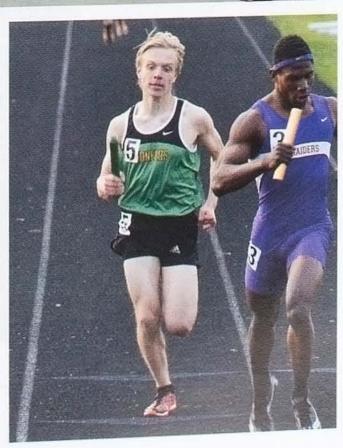


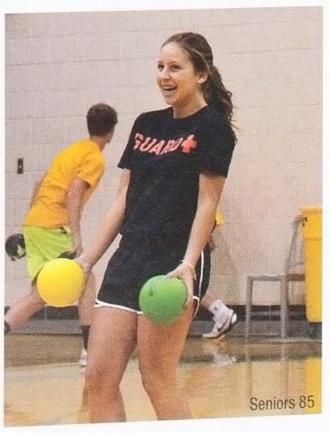












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Black, Dakota Bledsoe, Molly Blust, Raven Blythe, Jordyn

Bray, Zachariah Brewer, LeeLanda Broderick, LeeAnn Brown, Joshua





Dunn, Tyler Dunne, Nicholas Earnest, Isaac Engel, Preston Engst, Alexis Ervin, Anastasia Evans, Caleb Favis, Maiya Feely, Katherine Fleming, Jacob Friesen, Joshua Fudge, Harrison Garza, Blaze Gillam, Tanner Gordan, Ella Guthrie, Kristopher Hagerty, Hadley Harding, Kaleb Hari, Lucas Heffner, Trey



Heptinstall, Julianna Herman, Emily Holmes, Douglas Honzel, Nicholas

Houchin, Benjamin Huber, Anna Huettemann, Whitney Jacob, Ryan

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LeMieux, Elizabeth Lewis, Joshua Lin, Illyana Litwiller, Noah

Loeffler, Addison Lopez, Christian Madix, Riley Marshall, Alikah

Martin, Owen Matheis, Grace Matheis, Nathan Matthews, Hannah

Mercier, Allisson Merna, Jonathan Mersch, Andrew Mier, Matthew

Miller, Madison Moore, Raquel Mosley, Brooklyn Namboodiri, Adam





Noraian, Emma Orgler, Tyler Palumbo, Anthony Patton, Madalyne

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Pierce, Annellia Pledger, Gabrielle Poole, Brianna Porter, Harrison

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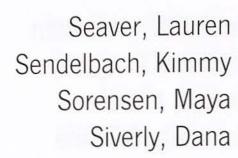
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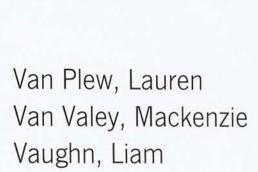












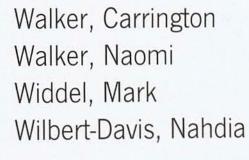
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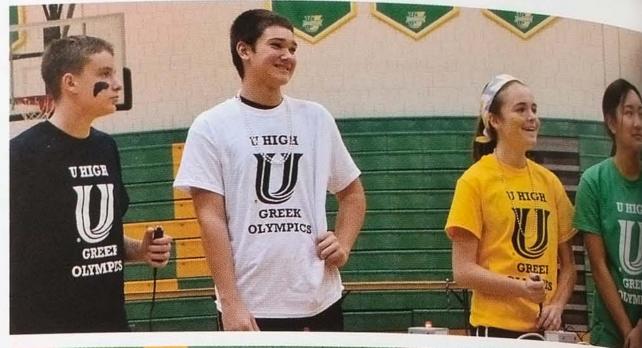




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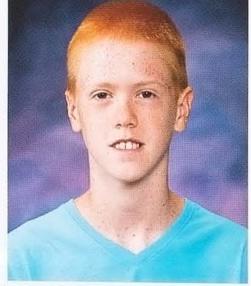






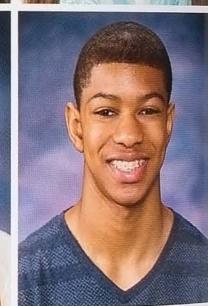


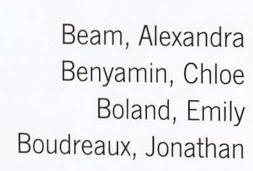
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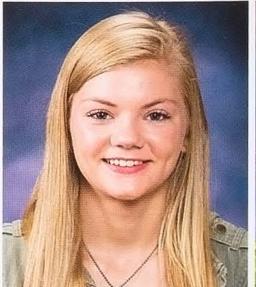




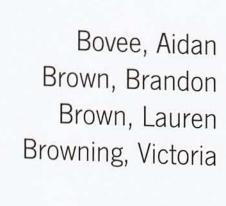






















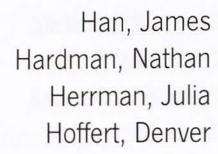
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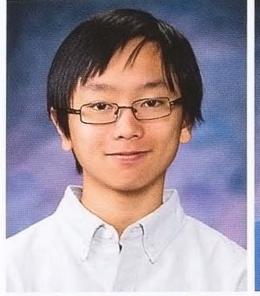


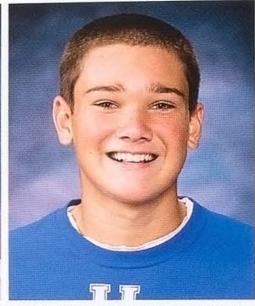


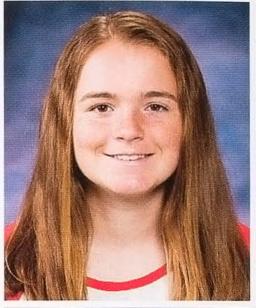


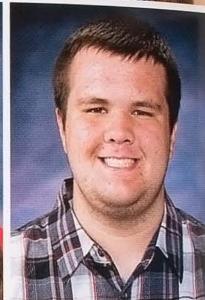




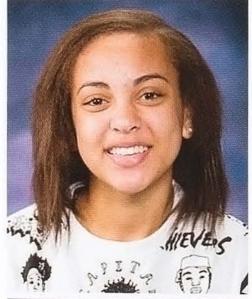




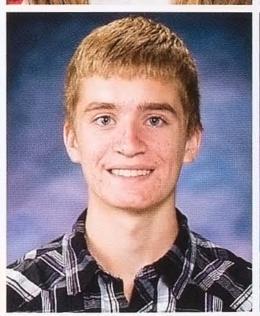




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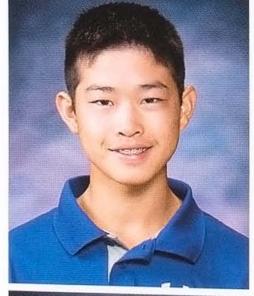








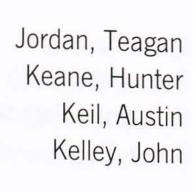
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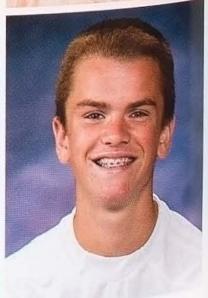












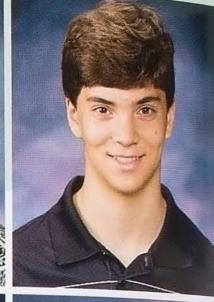


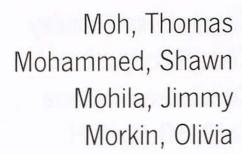
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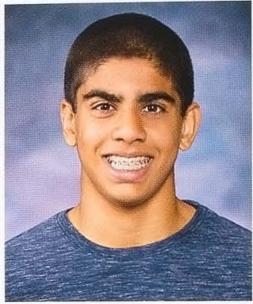


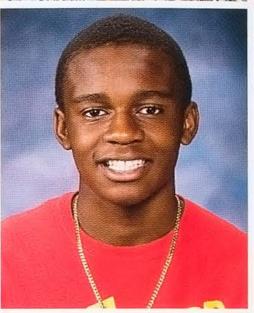














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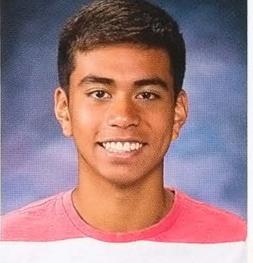






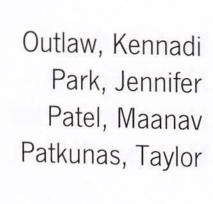
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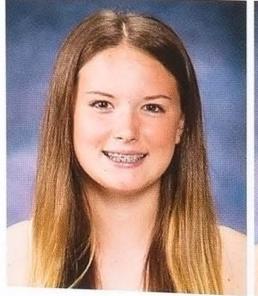




















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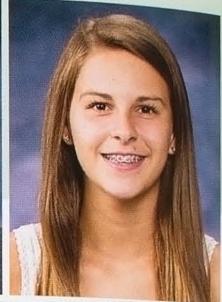
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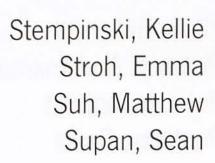
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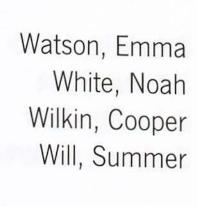
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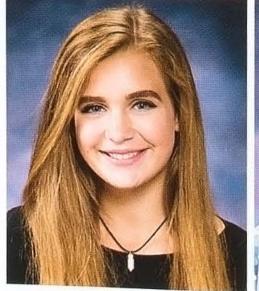












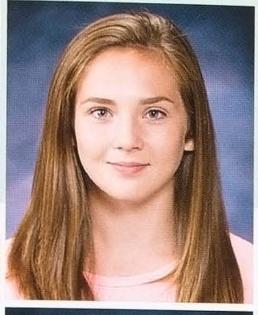








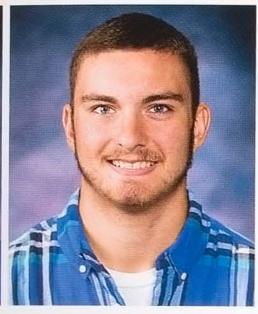


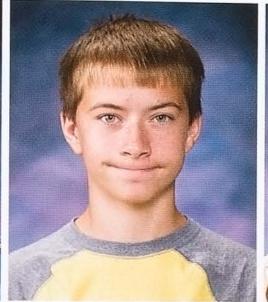




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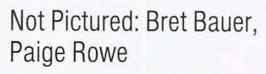








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Cory Culbertson



Tara Davis-Augspurger



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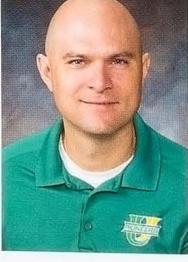
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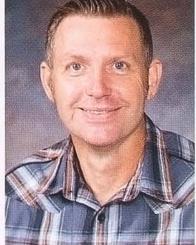
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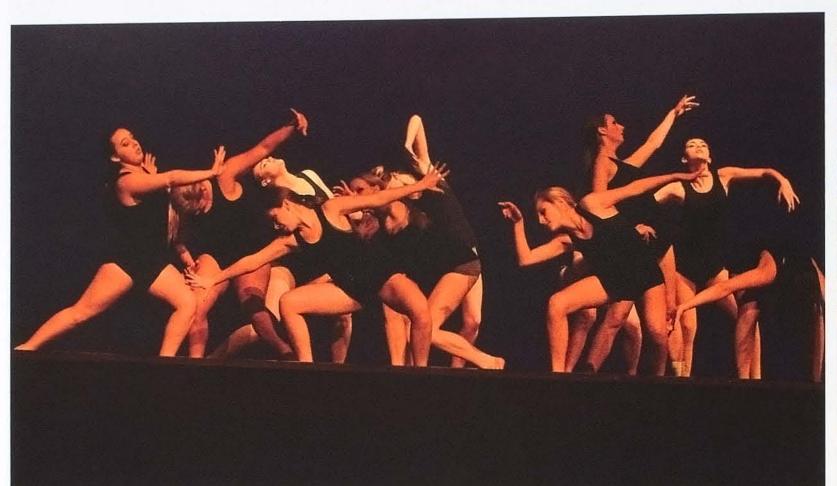
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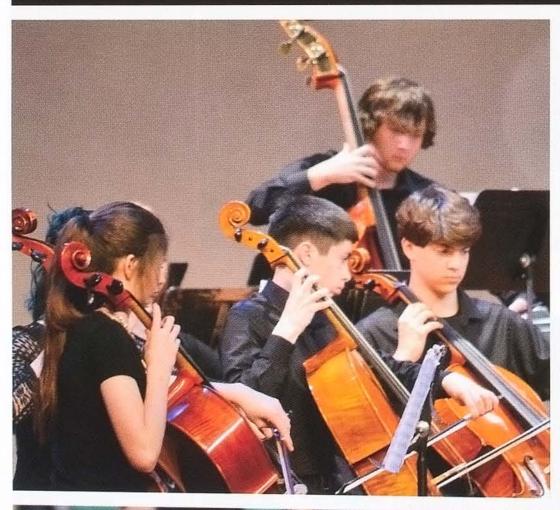
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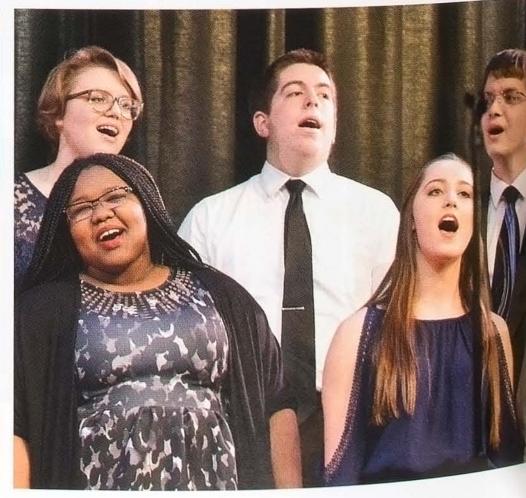


















### Varsity Football



Urbana HS 38 16 W

CCHS 12 31 L

IVC HS 10 9 W

Mahomet HS 21 13 W

Playoff vs. 32 54 L

Peoria

1st Row: Braden Woods, Ryan Poland, Lamar Conard, Zach Gocker, Jaxon Heffner, Nathan Sakowicz, Preston Engel, Jeremiah Carter, Spencer Laub, Parker Alexander, Eddie Kelso, Joshua Henderson, Noah Schofield, Trey Heffner 2nd Row: Mary Claire Lartz, Nathaniel Ummel, Deontae Hawkins, John Merna, Garrett Murray, Doug Holmes, Emanuel Bada, Justin Farris, Nate Robinson, Andy Mersch, Cole Tandy, Packard Otto, Ryan Jacob, Sam Svensson, Ty Ziebarth, Hugh Lugg, Mark Widdel, Peris Story 3rd Row: Denver Hoffert, Asst. Coach Murray, Asst. Coach Engel, Asst. Coach Holman, Egerton Dover, Mitchell Zook, Peyton Penn, Jordan Carr, Jason Jeter, Duncan Terry, Coach Troll, Austin Galindo, Logan Wolf, Joe Hughes, Skylar Bunton, Alexander Walker, Brett Drake, Trey Jones, Asst. Coach Thornton, Asst. Coach Smith, Asst. Coach Hoffman, Asst. Coach Von Bruenchenhein

#### JV Football



Urbana HS 35 6 W

CCHS 8 16 L

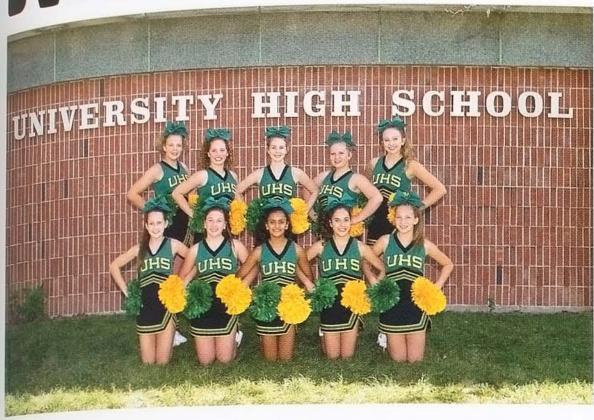
IVC HS 21 14 W

Olympia HS 12 30 L

2 Wins - 7 Losses

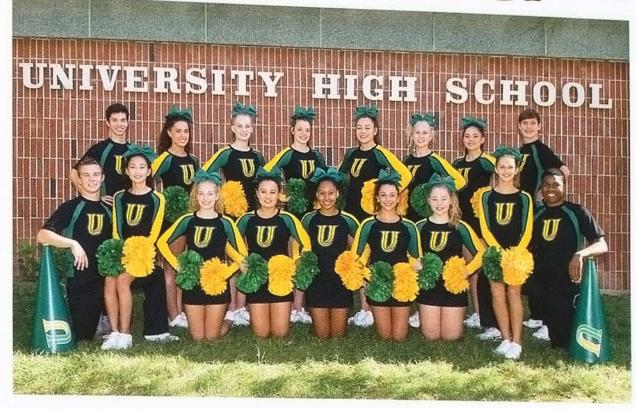
1st Row: Parker Mathieson, Miles Murphy, Drew Clark, Nathan Clay, J.D. Kelley, Bailey Klemmensen 2nd Row: Coach Thornton, Caleb Gonzalez, Braden Woods, Brandon Brown, Jack Sauser, Nathan Torres, Jordan Lawrence, Denver Hoffert, Coach Smith

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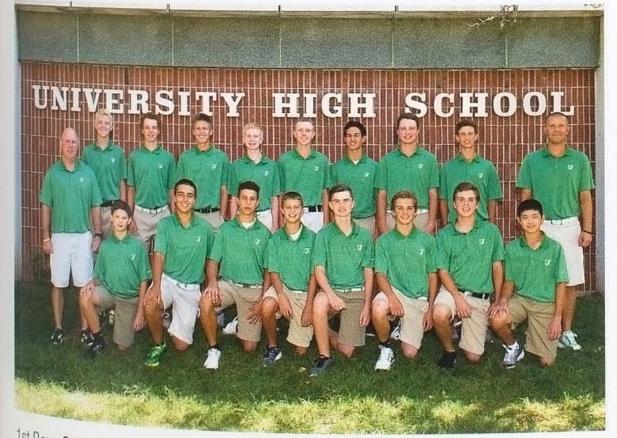
1st Row: Faith Ausili, Bella Houchin, Shreya Ramachandran, Daisy Covarrubias, Olivia Cramer 2nd Row: Allie Beam, Aubrey Oitker, Molly Adams, Lauren Bacon, Emma Bakken

### Varsity Cheer



1st Row: Zach Frey, Taylor McCormick, Bri Lehr, Karizma Im, BrianaSmith, Anna Rodriguez, Maddie Thompson, Sami Spain, Noah Walker 2nd Row: Kevin Covarrubias, Micayla Mathieson, Anne Rich, Alexis Rowe, Haley Torrez, Aubrie Smith, Ellie Paul, Caleb Evans

### Boys Golf



1st Row: Coach Wollenweber, Jack Lindstrom, Tony Palumbo, Austin Keil, Cody Surma, Parker, Penn, Matt Mosele, Tyler Orgler, Ethan Huynh, 2nd Row: Alex Totten, Dylan Panizo, Brandon Hendriks, Ben Bazan, Alex Kullman, Beau Hendren-Santiago, Brian Fry, Dallas Koth, Coach York

Oria Notre Dame HS Invite High Invitational	302	3rd
City- NOW 18	312	3rd
Henional	319	4th
State	306	1st
410	329	10th

### Girls Golf



1st Row: Abby Petersen, Kennadi Outlaw, Abriana Ruiz, Abby Klein, Sarah Park, Maddison Murphy, Christiana Thompson 2nd Row: Kara Henry, Hannah Foley, Margaret Cutter, Coach Lancaster, Emma Noraian, Melissa Reiss, Quinn Johnson

	383	2nd
U-High Invite	371	3rd
Intercity- NCHS	364	1st
Livingston County Invite	379	2nd
IHSA Regional IHSA Sectional	389	5th

#### JV Soccer

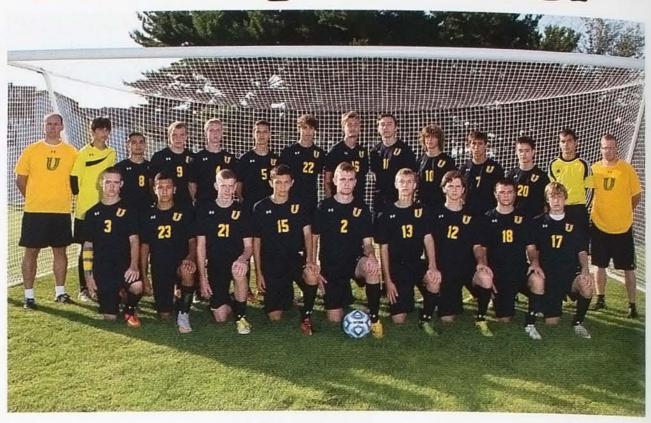


1st Row: Christian Amble, Kee Randolph, Lucas Hari, Thomas Moh, Brian Cordero, Matthew Suh, Nathan Matheis 2nd Row: Coach Stanton, Nick Rolley, Jacob Fleming, Chris Cuppini, Matthew Mier, Michael Napolitano, Niklas Klauss, Josh Friesen, Mason Wittman, J.D. Kelley, Coach Gibler

	U	VV
0	5	L
1	1	T
3	2	W
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11 Wins - 7 Losses - 2 Ties

#### Varsity Soccer



1st Row: Jason Lenz, Cayden Redd, Nathan Clay, Jett Jenkins, Nick Leathers, Josh Friesen, Matthew Mier, Ryan Poland, Mason Wittman 2nd Row: Coach Stanton, Michael Napolitano, Robbie Lopez, Tyler Oitker, Danny Cole, Jose Mancias, Alberto Testa, Calum Smith, Zach Ciesielski, Matt Napolitano, Michael Juarez, John O'Connell, Christian Lopez, Coach Gibler

Normal Community HS	3	2	W
Mahomet-Seymour HS	6	2	W
IHSA Regional v Central Catholic HS	3	0	W
IHSA Sectional v Peoria Christian HS	2	3	L

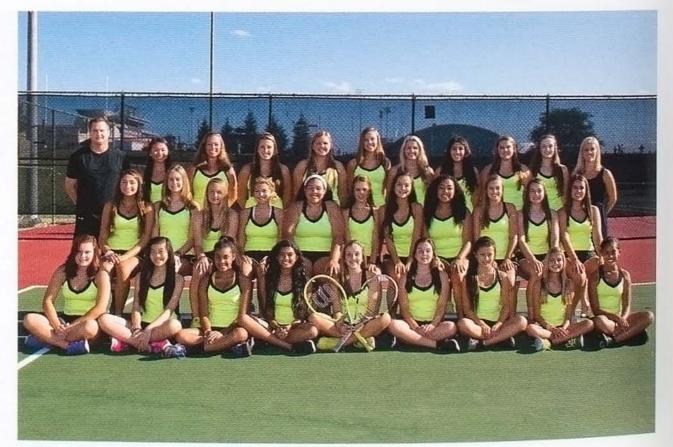
#### Girls Swim



1st Row: Gena Mendez, Summer Will, Jade Fung, Maya Sorensen, Emily Coddington, Elizabeth Stroh, Emily Swigart, Emma Stroh 2nd Row: Coach Meyer, Dana Siverly, Lilly Culp, Hannah Matthews, Poleena Kovalaske, Larissa Webster, Leslie Walker, Lena Chalian

Lincoln-Way West HS Warrior Invite	1st
Bloomington HS Invite	1st
U-High Invite	1st
IHSA Sectional- Normal Community HS	1st

### Girls Tennis



1st Row: Ella Gordon, Calis Lim, Carrington, Walker, Rishita Chamarthi, Grace Matheis, Whitney Huettemann, Anna Huber, Olivia Morkin, Victoria Browning 2nd Row: Chloe Benyamin, Deanna Trosino, Katherine Raycraft, Raven Blust, Maddie Patton, Cassandra Trosino, Jessica Huber, Alikah Marshall, Katie Feely, Danielle Witzig, Lauren VanPlew

3rd Row: Coach Whiting, Christina Su, Sarah Lange, Kelli Kuchefski, Mia Riddell, Ava Roper, Hannah Whiting, Melody Benyamin, Madison Sapp, Amanda Martin, Coach Butts

Intercity Tournament	4th
Springfield HS Invite	1st
Springfield Sacred Heart Griffin Invite	2nd
IHSA Sectional	4th

### Freshman Volleyball



1st Row: Toni Poland, Lauren Brown, Lindsey Baker, Annastacia Hollins, Kendy Ummel, Isabel Gravez

2nd Row: Megan Phelan, Lana Williams, Jayda Kiefer, Coach Idell, Ava Trevarthan, Taylor Patkunas, Macy Tongate

Central Catholic HS	25, 25	20, 19	W
Olympia HS	17, 25, 15	25, 17, 8	W
Pontiac HS	25, 11, 15	14, 25, 9	W
Central Catholic HS	25, 25	21, 18	W
16 \	Wins - 2 Losses		

### JV Volleyball



1st Row: Kimmy Sendelbach, Jennie Connor, Jessica McDowell, Amber Juarez, Nahdia Wilbert-Davis

2nd Row: Cheyenne Petersen, Illyana Lin, Addy Loeffler, Coach Lee, Abbey Collins, Alexis Engst, Lexus Tennison

ntercity- Central Catholic HS	25, 25	19, 6	W	
ntercity- Normal Community HS	26, 18, 15	24, 25, 11	W	
Central Catholic HS	25, 25	12, 19	W	
Mahomet Invite- Eureka HS	20, 25, 25	25, 19, 8	W	

27 Wins - 2 Losses

#### **Varsity Volleyball**



1st Row: Janelle McDowell, Hannah Lane, Abbie Seward, Jamie Walling, Amber

<sup>2nd</sup> Row: Asst. Coach Idell, Carly Davis, Lauren Cole, Kelsey Valouche, Coach Valouche, Elyse Standard, Michelle Styczynski, Laura Dulee, Spencer Smiley, Asst. Coach Lee

Bloomington			
Intercity No.	25, 23, 25	20, 25, 18	W
Intercity- Normal West HS	18, 25, 25	25, 21, 19	VV
Intercity- Central Catholic HS IHSA Sectional- Limestone HS	26, 15, 14	24, 25, 25	L
IHSA Sectional- Metamora HS	25, 12, 25	20, 25, 23	W
Metamora HS	25, 25, 27	20, 27, 25	L

24 Wins - 13 Losses

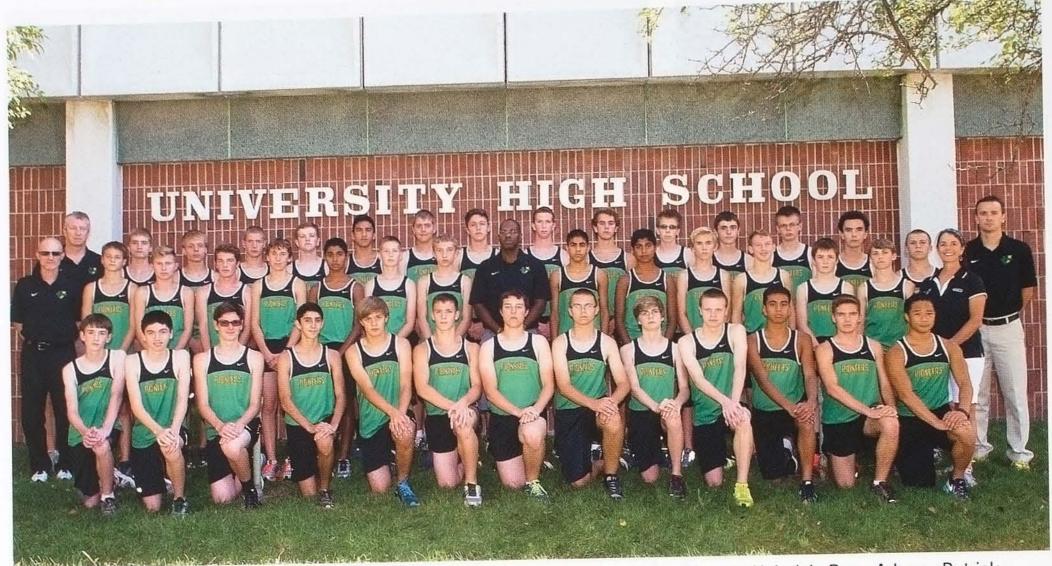
#### Dance



1st Row: Asst. coach Jeremy Thornwell, Danielle Kinsella, Sadie Cole, Amanda Martin, Eva Clay, Julianna Heptinstall, Asst. coach Stephanie Germann 2nd Row: Taylor Lindsey, Megan Wittman, Abby Petersen, Coach Merriman, Maddison Murphy, Allisson Mercier, Hadley Hagerty

_		2nd
	Mudelein HS Invite	2nd
	South Elgin HS Invite	1st
	IHSA Sectionals	13th
	IHSA State	

# Boys Cross Country



Normal Community
HS Open

Intercity- Normal
Community HS

Peoria HS Invite

1st

IHSA State

10th

Row 1: Ressa Crubaugh, Dylan Chambers, Aidan Bovee, Matt Zacharias, Nick Honzel, Simon Heinrich, Ryan Adams, Patrick Fitzgerald, Josh Lewis, Zach Wolford, Josh Nepomuceno, Aidan Vaughn, Jordan Ho Row 2: Asst. Coach Porter, Dane Alexander, Jackson McClure, Liam Vaughn, Jack Franklin, Alok Kamatar, CJ Bruns, Harris Porter, Coach Hampton, Shawn Mohammed, Rohan Kamatar, Robert Bryant, Alex Diffor, Sean Supan, Cooper Wilken, Coach Will Coach Hampton, Shawn Mohammed, Rohan Kamatar, Robert Bryant, Alex Diffor, Sean Supan, Cooper Wilken, Coach Will

Row 3: Asst. Coach Shaver, Bryan Huizenga, Jared Schuckman, Kaleb Harding, Caleb Diffor, Michael Elzanati, Nathan Pritts, Austin Spaulding, Mason Bray, Grayson Will, Jonathan Boudreaux, Tanner Gillam, Adam Trevarthan, Brendan Wall, Zack Franz, Coach Neisler

### Girls Cross Country



Intercity- Normal Community HS

U-High Invite 1st

Corn Belt 2nd
Conference Meet

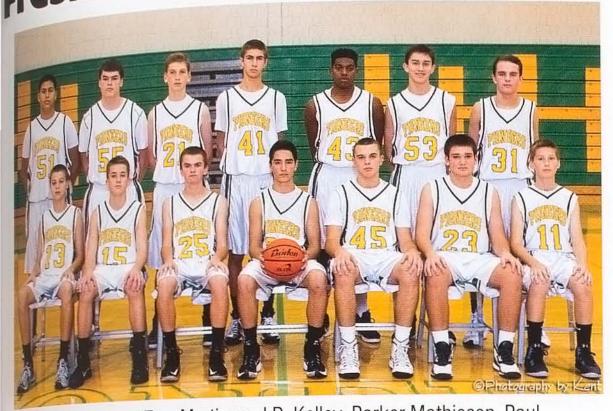
IHSA Regional 2nd

Row 1: Raquel Moore, Grace Bryant, Cree Harris, Emmi Chambers, Shannan Supan, Madigan Landess, Hannah Kiefer, Katie Reeves, Sophia Allen

Row 2: Asst. Coach Porter, Ella Zona, Rylee Schoon, Brittany Adams, Alexander Seehuus, McKenna Sapp, Emmy Mussey, Eva Clay, Jacqueline Bacon, Advika Kamatar, Ally Shepherd, Julia Herrman, Anna Tulley, Asst. Coach Will

Row 3: Asst. Coach Shaver, Brooklyn Mosley, Lexi French, Jess Baker, Maddy Barba, Shreeya Malpani, Olivia Shouse, Coach Neisler, Mary Spaulding, Amber Nanni, Catherine Winger, Riley Madix, Susanna Angles, Coach Hampton.

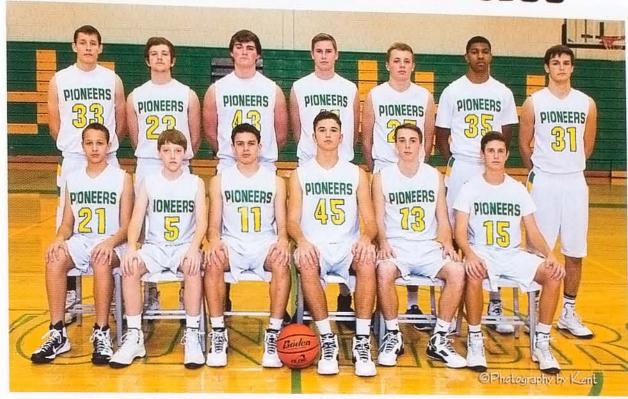
## Freshman Basketball



1st Row: Cody Surma, Trey Mortimer, J.D. Kelley, Parker Mathieson, Paul Africano, Nathan Hardman, C.J. Bruns 2nd Row: Brandon Brown, Nathan Torres, Jack Sauser, Carter Burk, Jordan Lawrence, Matt Taylor, Benji Phillips

# Normal Community West HS Bloomington HS Pontiac HS W Peoria Richwoods HS W 17 Wins - 5 Losses

### JV Basketball

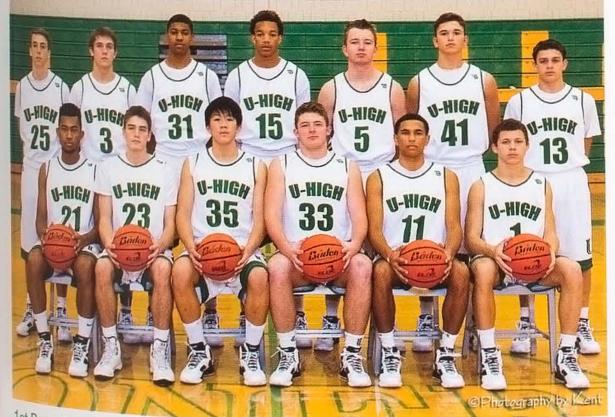


1st Row: Isaac Phillips, Tyler Dunn, Trey Heffner, Mark Widdel, Doug Holmes, Dallas Koth

2nd Row: Jackson Bruns, Caleb Diffor, John Merna, Ryan Jacob, Ty Ziebarth Kai Bates-Diop, Andy Mersch

Ī	Mahomet-Seymour HS	54	20	W	
	Central Catholic HS	59	55	W	
	Morton HS	64	53	W	
	Normal Community HS	50	57	L	
	17 Wins	- 5 Losses			

#### **Varsity Basketball**

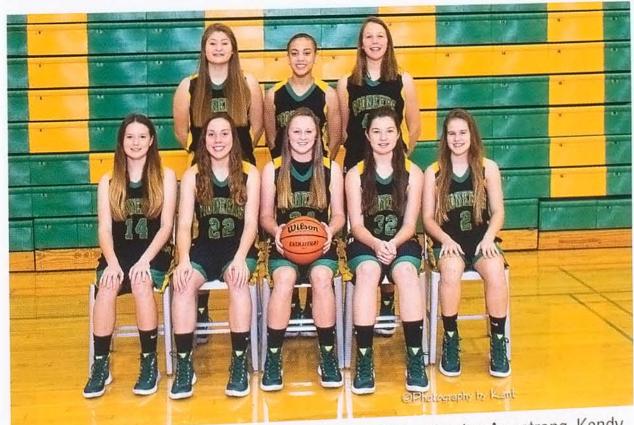


1st Row: Alex Browning, Jack Martin, Perry Lim, Logan Wolf, Alex Morris, Keondre Schumacher

<sup>2</sup>nd Row: Doug Homes, Nate Robinson, Kai Bates-Diop, Myles Aldridge, Jake Armstrong, Mark Widdel, Trey Heffner

Normal Community West HS	43	41	W
Chicago N. Lawndale HS Olympia HS	62	57	VV
Central Catholic HS	64	61	W
IHSA Region HS	69	64	VV
IHSA Regionals v Washington HS	49	50	L

#### Freshman Basketball



1st Row: Kennadi Outlaw, Lauren Brown, Abby Klein, Katelyn Armstrong, Kendy Ummel

2nd Row: Kelsey Torrez, Annastacia Hollins, Taylor Patkunas

Normal Community West HS	L
Bloomington HS	VV
Normal Community HS	VV
Pontiac HS	

#### JV Basketball



1st Row: Abby Klein, Kennadi Outlaw, Lauren Brown, Kimmy Sendelbach, Katelyn Armstrong, Kendy Ummel, LeeLanda Brewer 2nd Row: Elise Crockett, Kelsey Torrez, Grace Barclay, Cheyenne Petersen, Alexis Engst, Annastacia Hollins, Taylor Patkunas

#### Varsity Basketball



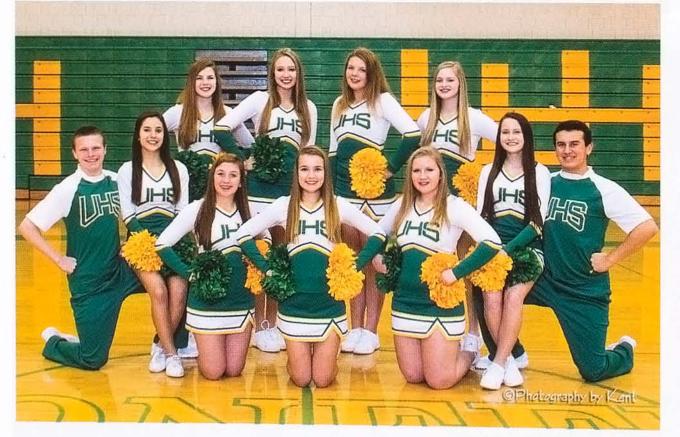
1st Row: Raven Hughes, Bailey Larsen, Bronzi Owens, Chante Stonewall, Amber Nanni

2nd Row: Kimmy Sendelbach, Jessica Baker, Cheyenne Peterson, Addy Loeffler, Jessica Huber, Jasmyne Lawrence

Obethew Oleswand IIO	50	40	10/
Chatham- Glenwood HS	52	48	W
Mahomet- Seymour HS	44	46	
Mahomet- Seymour HS	33	22	W
Central Catholic HS	54	47	L
Pontiac HS	4.4	40	W

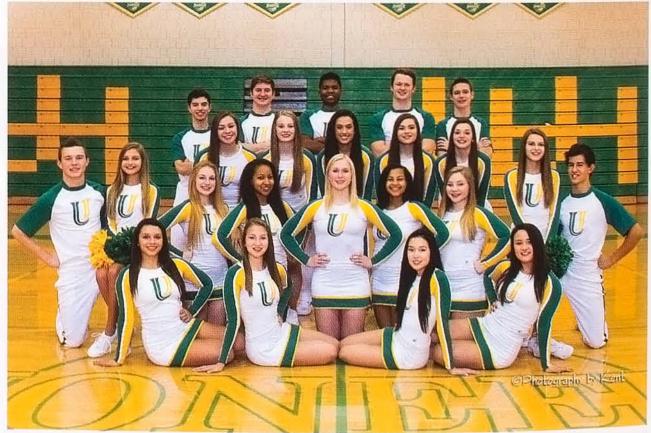
Intercity- Central Catholic	57	48	W	
Normal Community HS	34	48	L	
Pontiac HS	57	49	VV	
IHSA Regionals- East Peoria HS	40	28	L	
IHSA Regionals- Morton HS	25	36	VV	
19 Wins -	12   05505			

#### JV Cheer



1st Row: Zach Wolford, Daisy Covarrubias, Bella Houchin, Taylor Wilson, Lauren Bacon, Faith Ausili, Oskar Urquizo 2nd Row: Molly Adams, Emma Bakken, Allie Beam, Piper Schuring

### Varsity Cheer

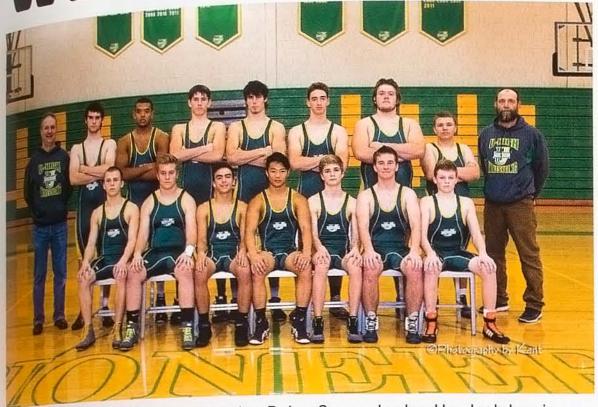


1st Row: Anna Rodriguez, Olivia Cramer, Taylor McCormick, Karizma Im 2nd Row: Zach Frey, Olivia Morkin, Bri Lehr, Briana Smith, Aubrie Smith, Janelle McDowell, Maddie Thompson, Sami Spain, Beau Hendren 3rd Row: Haley Torrez, Anne Rich, Micayla Mathieson, Ellie Paul, Lexie Rowe 4th Row: Kevin Covarrubias, Skylar Bunton, Noah Walker, Jordan Carr, Caleb

Evans

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	Orland Park Sandburgh HS Invite	3rd	
	Oak Forest HS Invite	2nd	
	New Lenox Lincoln Way Central HS Invite	1st	
	IHSA Sectionals	1st	
	IHSA State	10th	

### wrestling



1st Row: Zack Franz, Parker Alexander, Dylan Carey, Jordan Ho, Josh Lewis, Eddie Kelso, Bailey Klemmensen

2nd Row: Coach Dearing, Tanner Martin, Alex Walker, Zach Gocker, Duncan Terry, Tyler Hanson, Packard Otto, Brody Klein, Coach Troll

### Boys Swim

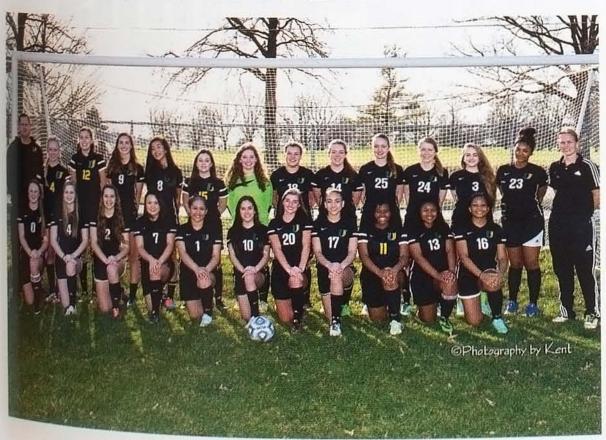


1st Row: Dane Alexander, Josh Nepomueceno, Simon Heinrich, Brendon Bacon, Kyle Johnson, Cooper Wilken, Colton Stogner 2nd Row: Coach Michelle Meyer, Elijah Gray, Nolan Simmons, Collin Brady, Anthony Williamson, Harrison Fudge, Coach Burroughs

Clinton HS Tournament	4th
U-High Invite	4th
Orion Tournament	7th
IHSA Regionals	5 qualifiers
IHSA Sectionals	5 qualifiers

4th
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5th
3rd
2nd

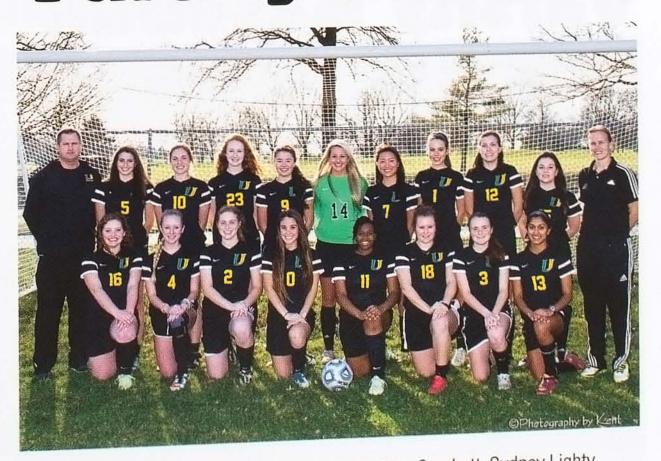
#### IV Soccer



Daisy Covarrubias, Hannah Kiefer, Annastacia Hollins, LeeLanda Brewer, Madison Miller, Layla Jones 2nd Row: Coach Whiting, Kearsten Personette, Ditker, Brooke Oitker, Molly Day, Katherine Raycraft, Anna Tulley, Maddie Thomas, Gabby Pledger, Coach Hayley Sefton

St. Thomas More HS	0	0	T
GOTIA Notro	0	6	L
Morton HS	0	5	L
	1	4	L

### Varsity Soccer



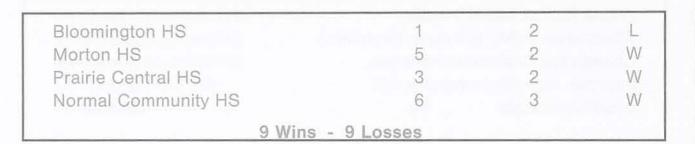
1st Row: Aubrey Oitker, Kearsten Personette, Elise Crockett, Sydney Lighty, LeeLanda Brewer, Ella Gordon, Julia Herrman, Advika Kamatar 2nd Row: Coach Whiting, Sarah LaFayette, Elena Hollingsworth, Lauren Dubravec, Emma Somers, Hannah Whiting, Christina Su, Cassandra Trosino, Emma Noraian, Whitney Huetteman, Coach Sefton

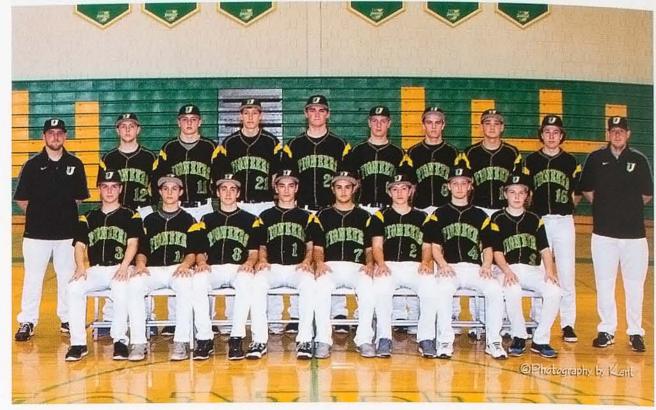
	0	4	L
Normal Community HS	2	1	W
St. Thomas More HS	2	1	VV
Champaign Central HS	8	2	W
IHSA Regionals- Urbana HS	9	0	1
IHSA Regionals Worton HS	1	2	-
IHSA Regionals- Morton HS			
10.1	neses - 3 Ties	5	

#### Freshman Baseball JV Baseball



1st Row: Damon Jagodzinski, Robert Bryant, Paul Africano, Boston Cooper, Bailey Klemmensen, Maanav Patel, CJ Bruns, Braden Woods 2nd Row: Andre Pinkney, Joe McCullough, Coach Arthur, Caleb Gonzalez, Jack Sauser, Matt Taylor

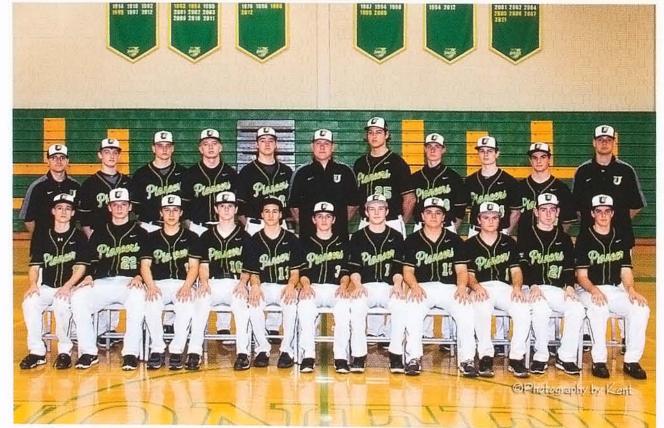




1st Row: Tyler Orgler, Austin Keil, Spencer Laub, Parker Mathieson, Ashton Croff, Nathan Matheis, Chris Voegele, David Roegner 2nd Row: Coach Grant, Dalton Bates, Ty Ziebarth, Jackson Bruns, Jon Merna, Kaleb Harding, Benjamin Phillips, Nathan Hardman, Nicholas Rolley, Coach McDowell

Morton HS	2	8	L
Olympia HS	2	1	W
Pontiac HS	2	1	W
Morton HS	2	1	W
13	Wins - 4 Losses		

#### Varsity Baseball



1st Row: Keegan Ummel, Christopher Cuppini, Andrew Ponce, Matthew Mier, Beau Hendren, Matt Mosele, Zach Frey, John Gibson, Ryan Poland, Ethan Newby, Matthew Stamets

2nd Row: Coach Haws, Ethan Podraza, Billy Mote, Jake Armstrong, Lake Williams, Coach Paxson, Austin Galindo, Jay Burton, Jon Rink, Owen Martin, Coach Denault

Central Catholic HS	5	4	VV
Pontiac HS	2	1	VV
Normal Community HS	2	6	L
Olympia HS	8	0	VV
IHSA Regionals- LaSalle-Peru	0	1	L
23 Wins -	8 Losses		

### Boys Tennis



1st Row: Jason Lenz, Dorath Chamarthi, Ben Bazan, Thomas Moh, Niklas Klauss, Nathan Clay, Mason Runkel, Michael Kraft, James Han, Noah Litwiller, Sam Fansler

2nd Row: Josh Friesen, Nate Jahiel, Perry Lim, Coach Friesen, Carter Burk, Alex Totten, Patrick Deneen, Chidambara Anagani

Bloomington Invite	1st
Springfield Invite	1st
IHSA Sectionals	1st
IHSA State Finals	15th

### Girls Track

Intercity- BHS 1st 3rd BHS Invite Combelt

Conference Meet IHSA Sectionals 4th

1st

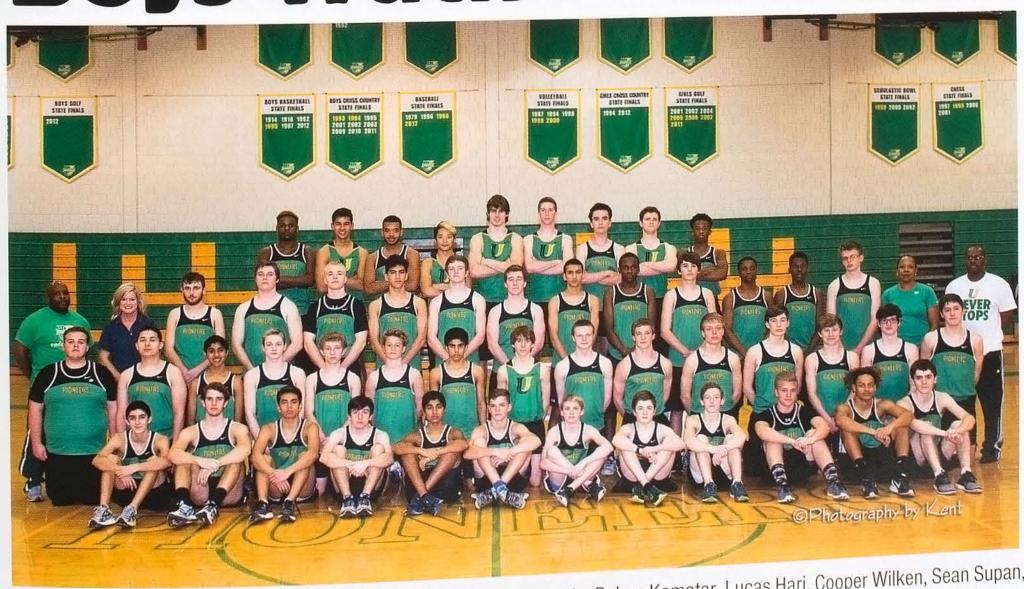
4 qualifiers IHSA State



1st Row: McKenna Sapp, Anna Rodriguez, Carrington Walker, Lauren Seaver, Janelle McDowell, Alex Seehuus, Rylee Schoon, Jacqueline Bacon, Emmy Mussey, Stephanie Chow 2nd Row: Anne Rich, Piper Seglem, Lauren Brown, Aubrie Smith, Emmi Chambers, Catie Mussey, Isabel Gravez, Jessica McDowell, Katie Reeves, Ally Shepherd 3rd Row: Synclaire Halman, Breanna Ziemer, Madigan Landess, Mary Spaulding, Michelle Styczynski, Spencer Smiley, Madison Sapp, Micayla Mathieson, Kara Henry, Shannan Supan 4th Row: Asst. Coach Stu Shaver, Asst. Coach Abby Kachanuk, Cree Harris, Brooklyn Mosley, Lena Chalian, Jess Baker, Amber Nanni, Leah Taylor, Coach Neisler, Chloe Benyamin, Brianna Pinter, Ava Trevarthan, Olivia Shouse, Susanna Angles, Melissa Reiss, Asst. Coach Mortell, Asst. Coach Shintaku

### Boys Track

Intercity- CCHS 3rd Cornbelt Conference Meet 1st IHSA Sectionals 1st IHSA State 9 qualifying events IHSA State 20th Finals



1st Row: Matt Zacharias, Grayson Will, Josh Nepomuceno, Ben Houchin, Rohan Kamatar, Lucas Hari, Cooper Wilken, Sean Supan, Alex Diffor, Parker Alexander, Emanuel Bada, Tanner Gillam 2nd Row: Jeff Kapraun, Nathaniel McKinney, Alok Kamatar, Colton Stogner, Harris Porter, Dane Alexander, Shawn Mohammed, Jack Franklin, Zach Wolford, Simon Heinrich, Jared Schuckman, Henry Wissmiller, Jackson McClure, Aidan Bovee, Austin Spaulding 3rd Row: Asst. Coach Carr, Asst. Coach Welter, Joshua Henderson, Nathaniel Ummel, Jacob Helms, Michael Elzanati, Caleb Diffor, Eddie Kelso, Adam Namboodiri, Jimmy Mohila, Drew Clark, Jeremiah Carter, Grant Burrell, Adam Trevarthan, Asst. Coach Wheeler, Coach Hampton 4th Row: Joe Hughes, Cameron Herbert, Alexander Walker, Jordan Ho, Duncan Terry, Mason Bray, Brendan Wall, John Diffor, Egerton Dover

#### JV Softball



1st Row: Raven Blust, Brianna Poole, Nahdia Wilbert-Davis, Lauren Van Plew, Teagan Jordan, Emma Martin, Abriana Ruiz, Kennadi Outlaw 2nd Row: Coach Baird, Emma Watson, Katelyn Armstrong, Jayda Kiefer, Mackenzie Van Valey, Maddie Patton, Asst. Coach Comerford

Mahomet-Seymour HS	6	3	W
Pontiac HS	14	3	W
Central Catholic HS	7	16	L
Prairie Central HS	11	1	W
Tanie Ochra Tie			
10 Wins	- 9 Losses		

#### Varsity Softball



1st Row: Emma Watson, Jayda Kiefer, Taylor Wilson, Grace Matheis, Amber Juarez, Lana Williams

2nd Row: Raven Blust, Jasmyne Lawrence, Alyssa Van Valey, Laura Dulee, Mia Riddell, Ali Paxson, Bailey Larsen, Becca Wagner

3rd Row: Coach Toliver, Macy Tongate, Danielle Witzig, Lexus Tennison, Averi Cole, Kelsey Torrez, Asst. Coach Hynes

1	2	VV
2	4	L
3	2	W
10	4	W
11	10	L
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#### Activities

Orchestra



1st Row: Andrew Meyer, Katana Colledge, Ava Trevarthan, Savannah Remkus, Ethan Schlenker, Xavier Zaitzeff, Kate Humphrey, Megan Wittman, Dylan Chambers

2nd Row: Sarah Park, Abby Petersen, Emerson Mussey, Alexandra Seehuus, Emmilene Chambers, Raquel Moore, Piper Schuring, James Han, Jessica Huber, Mason Wittman, Rhett Reinbrecht

3rd Row: Lianna Pfister, Alexander Walker, Josh Nepomuceno, Susanna Angles, Alexis Engst, Poleena Kovalaske, Rishita Chamarthi, Matthew Suh

Pep Band

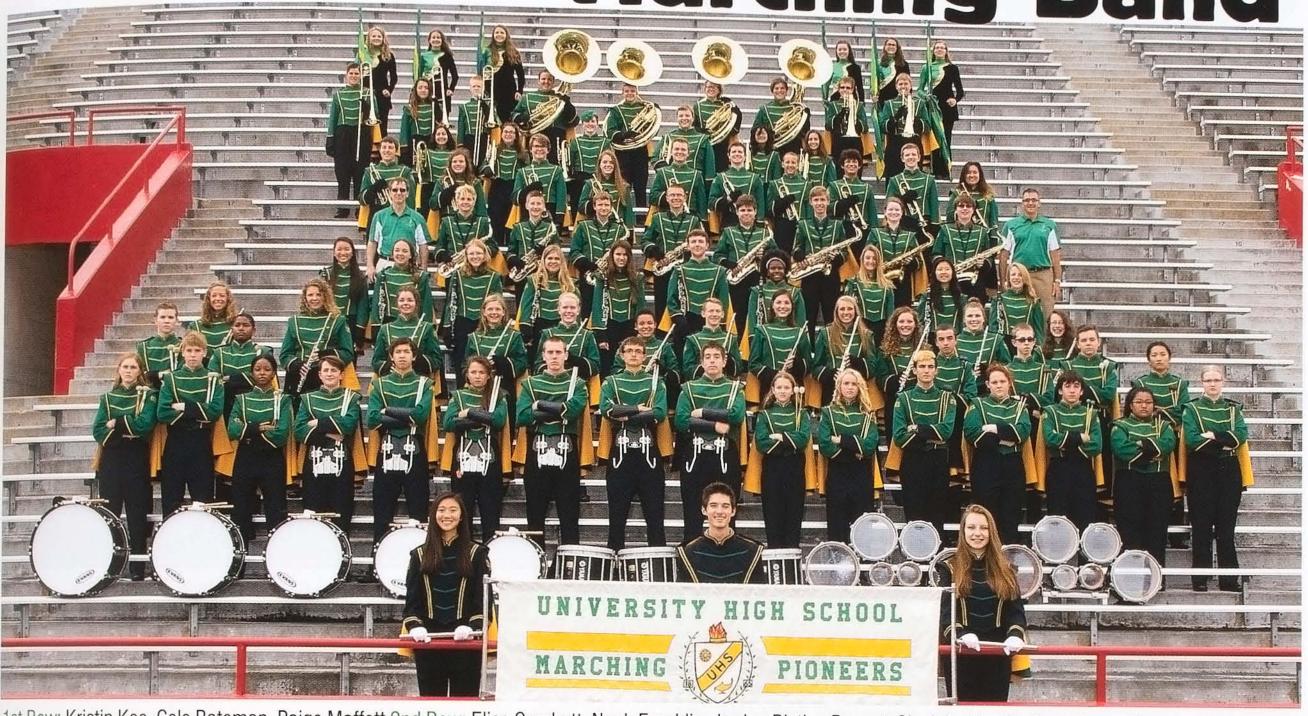


1st Row: Christina Su, Kristin Koe, Jennifer Park, Ellie Landes, Clare Griffin, LeeLanda Brewer, Dalton Bates, Ryan Adams, Jacob Susina, Anastasia Ervin 2nd Row: Alex Diffor, Andrina Alvarado, Sydni Ritsema, Thea Cornwell, Sarah Lange, John Diffor, Matthew Messman, Patrick Fitzgerald, Jonathan Boudreaux, Molly Day, Paige Maffett, Nathan Matheis, Lila Rolon, Luke Armstrong, Isabella Anna Favis, Julianna Heptinstall, Andrea Martinez

3rd Row: Cole Bateman, Kayden O'Shea, Kathryn Bridges

4th Row: Caleb Diffor, Bennett Sinclair, Elise Crockett, Adam Schofield, Alena Culbertson, Alexander Walbert

Marching Band



1st Row: Kristin Koe, Cole Bateman, Paige Maffett 2nd Row: Elise Crockett, Noah Franklin, Jordan Blythe, Bennett Sinclair, Alex Walbert, Emma Somers, Daniel Ray, Ethan Thomas, Josh Kuhn, Amanda Waltner, Sophie Allen, Sebastian Nassar, Cheyenne Brockett, Ben Houchin, Samara Ribbens, Anastasia Ervin 3rd Row: Zach Bray, Boston Cooper, Noah Litwiller, Micah Dietz, Joe McCullough, Stephanie Chow 4th Row: Sarah Lange, Ally Beam, Sydni Ritsema, Isabelle Jacobsen, Summer Will, Natalie Lade, Alex Diffor, Andrina Alvarado, Selah Schieber, Aubrey Oitker, Thea Cornwell, Alena Culberston 5th Row: Christina Su, Ellie Landes, Stephanie Soukup, Clare Griffin, Lauren Black, Dalton Bates, LeeLanda Brewer, KC DeCremer, Jenny Park, Brittany Adams 6th Row: David Sulzberger, Kayden O'Shea, CJ Bruns, James Welander, Patrick Fitzgerald, Thomas Pickering, Alex Keene, Katy Bridges, Alex Plumadore, Jason Landes 7th Row: Ryan Adams, Brooke Oitker, Jacob Susina, Molly Day, Matt Messman, John Diffor, Isaac Phillips, Andrew Vazquez, Caleb Diffor, Rosa Rolon 8th Row: Andrea Martinez, Bella Houchin, Rowan Scott, Noal Sallen, Isabella Favis, Julianna Heptinstall 9th Row: Matt Stamets Lila Rolon, Luke Armstrong, Jeff Kapraun, Adam Schofield, Annie Pierce, Brandon Auth, Jonathan Boudreaux, Nathan Pritts 10th Row: Makenzie Houston, Catie Mussey, Sarah Angles, Lianna Pfister, Susanna Angles, Bre Ziemer

#### **Vocal Chordination**



1st Row: Sydney Auth, Drew Johnson, Mary Claire Lartz, Shaun Taxali, Ian Guthrie, Nicholas Honzel, Lauren Bacon, Ellie Landes 2nd Row: Natalie Thomison, Catherine Winger, Rickey Orr, Thomas Moh, Zyon Randle, Margaret Cutter, Christiana Thompson, Allisson Mercier

#### Jazzin' the Evenin'



1st Row: Grace Henderson, Lianna Pfister, Samara Ribbens, Stephanie Soukup, Ryann Piker, Andrea Martinez, Janel Scott, Leah Taylor 2nd Row: Thea Cornwell, Alexander Walbert, Griffin Thompson, Allie Roop, Rhea Gibson, Annie Pierce, Nicholas Dunne, Jeffrey Kapraun 3rd Row: Sarah Lange, Lauren Dubravec, Nolan Simmons, Jonathan Boudreaux, Brandon Auth, Daniel Ray, Joshua Kuhn, Ethan Schlenker, Kevin LeMentec

Concert Band



1st Row: Christina Su, Kristin Koe, Jenny Park, Stephanie Soukup, Ellie Landes, Clare Griffin, Dalton Bates, Brittany Adams, LeeLanda Brewer, Lauren Black, Kimberly DeCremer

2nd Row: Cheyenne Brockett, Alex Diffor, Selah Schieber, Thea Cornwall, Sarah Lange, Alena Culbertson, Summer Will, Alex Plumadore, Isabelle Jacobsen, Sydni Ritsema, Andrina Alvarado, Aubrie Oitker, Natalie Lade, Allie Beam, James Welander, Anastasia Ervin

3rd Row: Cole Bateman, Kayden O'Shea, CJ Bruns, Thomas Pickering, Katy Bridges, Alex Keene, Patrick Fitzgerald, Nathan Mathias, Annie Pierce, Bella Houchin, Isabelle Favis, Julianna Heptinstall, Noah Sallen, Rowan Scott, Andrea Martinez

4th Row: Ryan Adams, Rosa Rolon, Matt Messman, John Diffor, Caleb Diffor, Paige Maffett, Jacob Susina, Molly Day, Noah Litwiller, Issac Phillips, Andrew Vazquez, Brooke Oitker, Adam Schofield, Jeff Kapraun, Nathan Pritts, Jonathan Boudreaux, Sam Fansler, Matt Stamets, Luke Armstrong, Lila Rolon 5th Row: Noah Franklin, Daniel Ray, Alex Walbert, Sebastian Nassar, Jordyn Blythe, Elise Crockett, Bennett Sinclair, Joseph McCullough, Micah Dietz, Zachariah Bray, Ben Houchin, Josh Kuhn, Ethan Thomas, Emma Somers, Boston Cooper, Brandon Auth, Stephanie Chow, Amanda Waltner

#### Jazz Gold



1st Row: Stephanie Chow, Alex Plumadore, Kristin Koe, Sarah Lange, Cole Bateman, Katy Bridges, Patrick Fitzgerald 2nd Row: Jonathan Boudreaux, Lila Rolon, Matt Stamets, Jeff Kapraun 3rd Row: Bennett Sinclair, Daniel Ray, Sebastian Nassar, Alena Culbertson, Ryan Adams, Rosa Rolon, Andrew Vasquez, John Diffor

#### Jazz Green



1st Row: Alex Diffor, Alex Keene, Summer Will, CJ Bruns, Selah Schieber, Patrick Fitzgerald

2nd Row: Amanda Waltner, Noah Litwiller, Andrea Martinez, Luke Armstrong, Adam Schofield

3rd Row: Ellie Landes, Ben Houchin, Matt Stamets, Jacob Susina, Matt Messman, Nathan Pritts

Fifth Step



1st Row: Joshua Kuhn, Sebastian Nassar, Daniel Ray, Jeffrey Kapraun, Robert Lugg, Brandon Auth

2nd Row: Griffin Thompson, Andrew Loy, Alexander Walbert, Nolan Simmons, Timothy Zaitzeff

### Stella a Capella



1st Row: Natalie Lade, Alexandria Roop, Madison Sapp, Jillian Campbell, Mia Riddell, Grace Henderson

2nd Row: Drew Johnson, Emily Rodriguez, Mary Claire Lartz, Cece Hill, Janel Scott, Rhea Gibson, Leah Taylor, Caroline McKinzie

#### **Court Singers**



1st Row: Caitlyn Mussey, Drew Johnson, T'sara Summerlin, Jonah King, Emma Merriman, Gena Mendez, Sydney Auth, Natalie Thomison, Shaun Taxali, Ellie Landes, Natalie Lade, Stephanie Soukup

2nd Row: Lauren Dubravec, Jonathan Boudreaux, Fiona Peterson-Quinn, Nicholas Dunne, Catherine Winger, Ian Guthrie, Sarah Lange, Kevin LeMentec, Sarah Poultney, Colin Poultney, Allisson Mercier

#### **Madrigal Singers**



1st Row: Alexander Walbert, Annie Pierce 2nd Row: Rhea Gibson, Emily Rodriguez, Caroline McKinzie, Grace Henderson, Samara Ribbens, Logan Piker, Thea Cornwell, Lianna Pfister 3rd Row: Jeff Kapraun, Griffin Thompson, Ethan Schlenker, Andrew Loy, Sebastian Nassar, Daniel Ray, Brandon Auth, Joshua Kuhn

Concert Choir



1st Row: Andrea Martinez, Caroline McKinzie, Drew Johnson, Jillian Campbell, Samara Ribbens, Stephanie Soukup, Caitlin Mussey, Sydney Auth, Sarah Poultney, Janel Scott, Margaret Cutter

2nd Row: Grace Henderson, Sarah Lange, Thea Cornwell, Emma Merriman, Natalie Thomison, Logan Piker, Emily Rodriguez, Kara Henry, Alexandra Roop, Marissa Jordan, CeCe Hill, Rhea Gibson,

3rd Row: Shaun Taxali, Lianna Pfister, Mary Claire Lartz, Ava Roper, Carly Davis, Lauren Dubravec, Kylie Personette, Annellia Pierce, Mary Spaulding, Savannah Taylor, Leah Taylor, Elyse Standard, Michelle Styczynski, Synclaire Halman

4th Row: Brandon Auth, Robert Lugg, Jeffrey Kapraun, Griffin Thompson, Alexander Walbert, Daniel Ray, Timothy Zaitzeff, Nolan Simmons, Ethan Schlenker, Andrew Loy, Hugh Lugg, Justin Maaks, Nicholas Dunne, Joshua Kuhn, Sebastian Nassar, Rickey Orr

Chorus



1st Row: Ryann Piker, Briana Villafan-Lopez, Maddie Thompson, Molly Bledsoe, Kendy Ummel, Salma Ahsan, Julia Herrman, Ellie Landes, Brody Kline, Sean Supan, Kevin LeMentec, Ian Guthrie

2nd Row: Gena Mendez, Grace Telling, Clare Griffin, Isabelle Jacobsen, Mikaela Ruiz, Lauren Bacon, Abby Klein, Joshua Henderson, Travis Baird, Harrison Porter, Nicholas Honzel, Edwin Kelso

3rd Row: T'sara Summerlin, Lauren Brown, Holyn Roesch, Isabel Cutting, Rebecca Wagner, Teagan Jordan, Isabel Gravez, Shreeya Malpani, Thomas Moh, Jonah King, Cory Maaks, Jonathan Boudreaux, Joshua Brown

4th Row: Anne Rich, Kaitlyn Ludwig, Catherine Winger, Calis Lim, Hadley Hagerty, Abbigale Seward, Taylor Patkunas, Ava Trevarthan, Hunter Keane, Colin Poultney, Emanuel Bada, Zyon Randle, Ted Lugg

### Treble Choir



1st Row: Allisson Mercier, Fiona Peterson-Quinn, Hannah Simonovic, Isabel Dawson, Makenzie Houston, Madison Sapp, Mia Riddell, Christiana Thompson

#### **Amnesty International**



1st Row: Rosa Rolon, Celeste Berardi, Alexander Keene, Hannah Foley, Kellie Stempinski, Lila Rolon

2nd Row: Matthew Messman, Floréal Crubaugh, Alexis French, Nia Gilbert, Piper Seglem

3rd Row: Cole Bateman, Sam Fansler, Nathaniel Jahiel, Ressa Crubaugh, Michael Kraft

### Anime Club



1st Row: Kate Humphrey, Natalie Lade, Roxanne Ratajski, Fiona Peterson-Quinn, Alexandra Seehuus

2nd Row: Sydni Ritsema, Kayden O'Shea, Hannah Simonovik, Kathryn Bridges 3rd Row: Rowan Scott, Joseph Lucey, Timothy Zaitzeff, Lianna Pfister

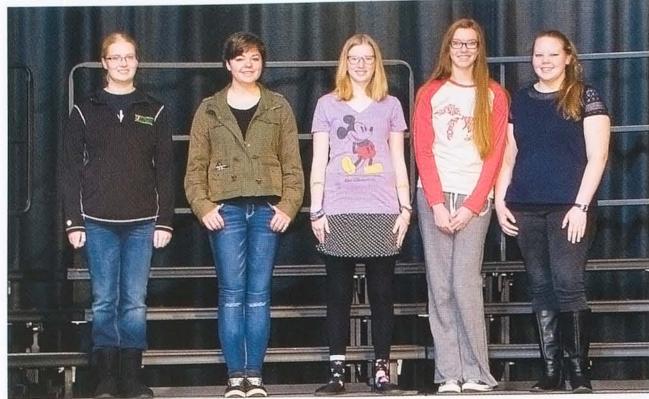
#### Art Club



1st Row: Roxanne Ratajski, Madeline Thomas, LeeLanda Brewer, Jade Hassebrock, Kate Humphrey, Rowan Scott, Ella Zona 2nd Row: Sarah Angles, Sydni Ritsema, Gabrielle Pledger, Kayden O'Shea, Fiona Peterson-Quinn, Joshua Brown 3rd Row: Aubrie Smith, Alexandria Adams, Celeste Berardi, Breanna Ziemer,

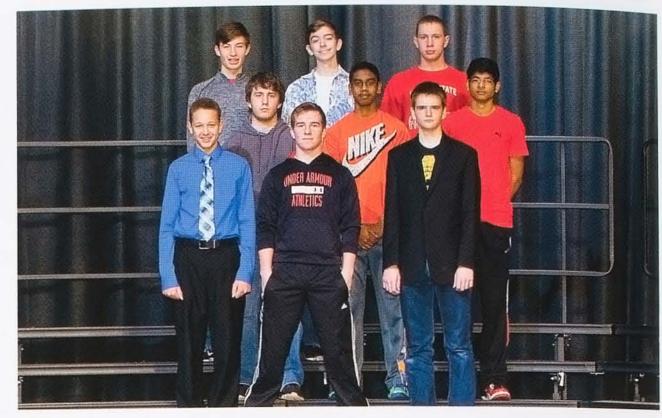
Joseph Lucey, Noah Sallen

#### Brome & Beyond



1st Row: Anastasia Ervin, Sydni Ritsema, Isabel Dawson, Elizabeth LeMieux, LeeAnn Broderick

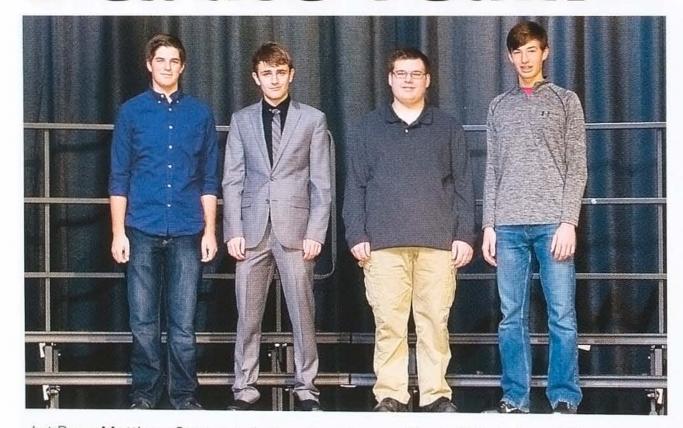
#### Chess Club



1st Row: Isaac Phillips, Edwin Kelso, Jack Dawson 2nd Row: Brendon Bacon, Chidambara Anagani, Vishvarath Balasubramanian-Karthikeyan

3rd Row: Henry Wissmiller, Grant Edwards, Benjamin Guttschow

### Debate Team



1st Row: Matthew Stamets, Joshua Henderson, Travis Baird, Henry Wissmiller

#### FCA



1st Row: Brianna Poole, Shreya Ramachandran, Sami Spain, Daisy Covarrubias, Kearsten Personette, Janelle McDowell 2nd Row: John O'Connell, Jessica McDowell, Karizma Im, Faith Ausili, Olivia Cramer, Peris Story

3rd Row: Danielle Witzig, Carter Bruns, Colton Stogner, Lucas Hari, Kylie Personette, Laura Dulee, Kara Henry, Shannan Supan

4th Row: Lauren VanPlew, Nicholas Rolley, Luke Armstrong, Jacob Phillips, John Diffor, Cheyenne Petersen, Naomi Walker, Elena Hollingsworth, Jamie Walling, Noah Walker

5th Row: Luke Ludwig, Noah Schofield, Abbey Collins, Jackson Bruns, Chloe Benyamin, James Armstrong, Zachary Ciesielski, Cameron Herbert, Noah Sallen, Jay Burton

### French Club



1st Row: Megan Rutherford, Molly Bledsoe 2nd Row: Leslie Walker

#### GSA



1st Row: Madeline Thomas, LeeLanda Brewer, Kayden O'Shea, Kate Humphrey, Rowan Scott

2nd Row: Tajania Jenkins, Gabrielle Pledger, Elizabeth Stroh, Hannah Simonovic, Sydney Auth

3rd Row: Joshua Brown, Cree Harris, Celeste Berardi, Lila Rolon, Molly Day, Oskar Urquizo

### Journalism

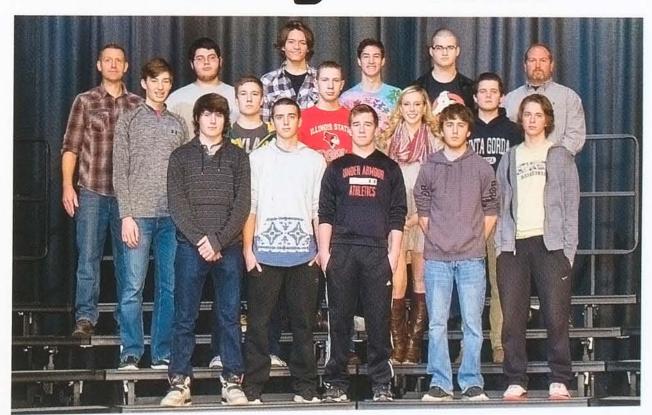


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2nd Row: Alyssa Van Valey, Amanda Martin, Jessica Huber, Mary Spaulding, Rebecca Wagner, Laura Dulee, Laura Endsley

3rd Row: Jay Burton, Jonathan Rink, Christan Prenzler, Brian Fry, Patrick

### Liberty Club



1st Row: Ian Terry, Kellen Amble, Edwin Kelso, Brendon Bacon, Noah Schofield 2nd Row:Henry Wissmiller, Mitchell Zook, Benjamin Guttschow, Cassandra Holmes, David Phipps

3rd Row: Mr. Henning, Luke Ludwig, Andrew Loy, Nolan Slmmons, Andrew Takantjas, Brad Dearing

### Library Club



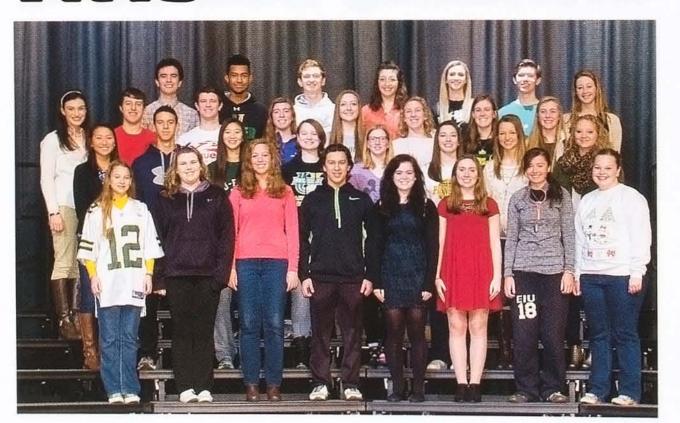
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### Math Team



1st Row: Jennifer Park, Stephanie Soukup, Alena Culbertson, Sarah Park, Advika Kamatar, Amanda Waltner 2nd Row: Calis Lim, James Han, Christina Su, Alok Kamatar, Charles Cutting, Rohan Kamatar, Kristin Koe, Victoria Parrott, Shawn Mohammed 3rd Row: John Diffor, Samuel Fansler, Simon Heinrich, Jacob Mattia, Henry Wissmiller, Vishvarath Balasubramanian-Karthikeyan, Thomas Moh

#### NHS



1st Row: Amanda Waltner, Thea Cornwell, Sarah Lange, Andrew Ponce, Hannah Foley, Jillian Campbell, Emma Somers, JaLynn Broderick 2nd Row: Christina Su, Jose Mancias, Kristin Koe, Kathryn Bridges, Isabel Dawson, Grace Henderson, Laura Endsley, Makenzie Houston 3rd Row: Victoria Parrott, Ryan Adams, John Diffor, Margaret Cutter, Ally Hoffbauer, Kelsey Valouche, Laura Dulee, Kylie Personette 4th Row: Brendan Wall, Alex Browning, Hayes Hundman, Mary Spaulding, Michelle Styczynski, Timothy Zaitzeff, Kara Henry

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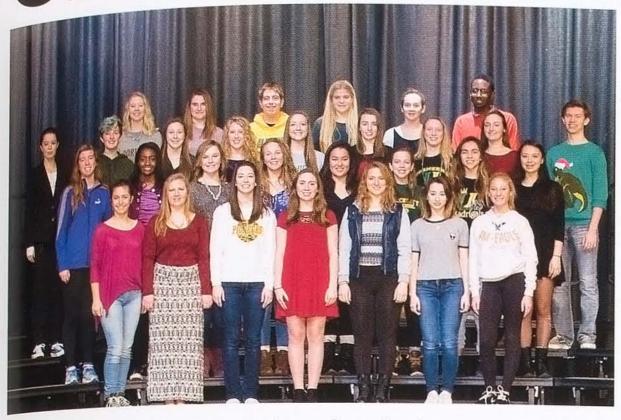


1st Row: Molly Bledsoe, Lauren Seaver, Maddie Thompson, Jillian Campbell, Hannah Foley, Kathleen Reeves, LeeLanda Brewer, Peris Story, Caroline McKinzie

2nd Row: Sydney Lighty, Natalie Thomison, Danielle Kinsella, Taylor Lindsey, Grace Henderson, Kara Henry, Jordyn Blythe, Cassandra Trosino, Jasmyne Lawrence, Micayla Mathieson, Caroline Page

3rd Row: Megan Whittman, Deanna Trosino, Lauren Dubravec, Abbey Collins, Allison Mercier, Kaylee Birlingmair, Elyse Standard, Kelsey Valouche, Michelle Styczynski, Laura Dulee

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1st Row: Julianna Heptinstall, Lauren Bacon, Grace Henderson, Jillian Campbell, Mary Claire Lartz, Ryann Piker, Sadie Cole 2nd Row: Margaret Cutter, Tajania Jenkins, Maddison Murphy, Alexis French, Rosa Rolon, Caroline McKinzie, Emily Rodriquez, Logan Piker 3rd Row: Lianna Pfister, Rowan Scott, Dana Siverly, Christiana Thompson, Ally Hoffbauer, Danielle Kinsella, Megan Wittman, Amanda Martin, Timothy Zaitzeff 4th Row: Taylor Lindsey, Allisson Mercier, Joshua Kuhn, Hadley Hagerty, Catherine Winger, Rickey Orr

### Outdoor Club



1st Row: Benjamin Guttschow, Nicholas Rolley, Austin Keil, Parker Penn, Brendon Bacon

2nd Row: Kellen Amble, Jack Dawson, Edwin Kelso, Cassandra Holmes, David Phipps, Noah Schofield

3rd Row: Ian Terry, Luke Ludwig, Andrew Loy, Nolan Simmons, Andrew Takantjas, Mr. Dearing

#### Philosophy Club



1st Row: Joselyn Peña, Rohan Kamatar, Hannah Foley, Advika Kamatar 2nd Row: David Phipps, Henry Wissmiller, Sarah Lange, Andrew Vazquez 3rd Row: Samuel Fansler, Vishvarath Balasubramanian-Karthikeyan, Nolan Simmons, Jonathan Rink, Nathaniel Jahiel, Noah Sallen, John Diffor

#### Rotary Interact



1st Row: Julianna Heptinstall, Taylor McCormick, Karizma Im, Victoria Browning, Stephanie Parrott, Sarah Park, LeeLanda Brewer, Shaun Taxali, Taylor Wilson

2nd Row: Piper Seglem, Shreeya Malpani, Bennett Sinclair, Jennifer Park, Kellie Stempinski, Caroline Page, Nia Gilbert, Anakasia Garcia, Lianna Pfister, Sarah

Angles
3rd Row: K.C. DeCremer, Lauren Bacon, Lila Rolon, Rishita Chamarthi, Celeste
Berardi, Emma Noraian, Adejoke Adanri, Caroline Pickering, LeeAnn Broderick
4th Row: Chidambara Anagani, Poleena Kovalaske, Oskar Urquizo, Haldey
Hagerty, Henry Wissmiller, Vishvarath Balasubramanian-Karthikeyan, Elijah
King, Joshua Brown, Alexander Keene

#### Scholastic Bowl



1st Row: Stephanie Soukup, Alena Culbertson, Isabel Cutting, Adam Schofield 2nd Row: Matthew Suh, Thomas Pickering, Alexandra Beam, Charles Cutting, Thomas Moh, Cory Culbertson

3rd Row: Ted Lugg, Niklas Klauss, Emma Noraian, Caroline Pickering, Grant Edwards, Henry Wissmiller

#### Senate



1st Row: Christian Amble, Janel Scott, Isabel Gravez, Jennifer Park, Sophia Allen, Stephanie Chow, Kathleen Reeves, Shaun Taxali, Advika Kamatar 2nd Row: Nia Gilbert, Jasmyne Lawrence, Thomas Moh, Emma Watson, Shreeya Malpani, Calis Lim, Rohan Kamatar, Stephanie Soukup, Cassandra Trosino, Hannah Foley

3rd Row: Grace Henderson, Elena Hollingsworth, Caroline McKinzie, Jordyn Blythe, Caroline Pickering, Ally Hoffbaur, Kylie Personette, Vishvarath Balasubramanian-Karthikeyan, Henry Wissmiller, Nicholas Honzel 4th Row: Matthew Napolitano, Megan Wittman, Dylan Panizo, Brendan Wall, Mary Spaulding, Noah Schofield, Emma Noraian, Michelle Styczynski

#### Shades



1st Row: A.J. Hollins, Layla Jones, Shreeya Malpani, LeeLanda Brewer, Briana Smith, Nia Gilbert

2nd Row: Elijah Gray, Emanuel Bada, Jordyn Blythe, Jasmyne Lawrence, Raquel Moore, Brooklyn Mosley, Janel Scott

3rd Row: Keondre Schumacher, Myles Aldridge, Elijah King, Raven Hughes, Bronzi Owens, Synclaire Halman

### Spech Team



1st Row: Jade Fung, Calis Lim, Jennifer Park, Christina Su, Ella Gordon, Shaun Taxali, Shawn Mohammed, Stephanie Chow, Isabel Cutting

2nd Row: Riley Gillibrand, James Han, Nicholas Dunne, Adam Schofield, Joshua Henderson, Lillian Culp, Caroline Pickering, Jordyn Blythe, Kellie Stempinski, Emily Rodriguez, Summer Will, Isabelle Jacobsen

3rd Row: Jonathan Boudreaux, Alex Plumadore, Mitchell Zook, Jacob Susina, Alexandra Beam, Emma Noraian, Jack Dawson, Rishita Chamarthi, Lianna Pfister, Logan Piker, Poleena Kovalaske

4th Row: Jacob Mattia, Noah Sallen, Mary Spaulding, Austin Spaulding, Nathaniel Jahiel, Colin Hardman, Henry Wissmiller, Joshua Kuhn, Cree Harris, Justin Maaks, Patrick Deneen



1st Row: Jordyn Blythe, Janel Scott, Brianna Lehr, Mitchell Zook, Rohan Kamatar, Liam Vaughn

2nd Row: Timothy Zaitzeff, Stephanie Luzolo, Patrick Deneen, Nolan Simmons. David Phipps, Christian Prenzler, Collin Brady

3rd Row: Nathaniel Jahiel, Andrew Takantjas, Ethan Schlenker, Henry Wissmiller, Jacob Susina, Cameron Herbert

#### Tabletop Game Club



1st Row: Brooke Oitker, Kate Humphrey, Jade Hassebrock, Rowan Scott, Isabel Dawson, Isabel Cutting

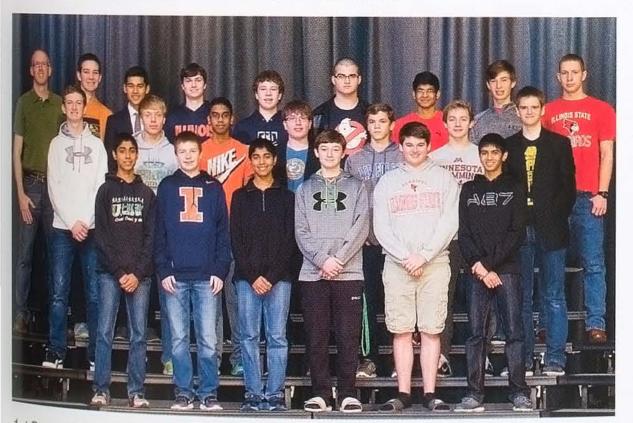
2nd Row: Jack Dawson, Riley Gillibrand, Cheyenne Brockett, Lianna Pfister, Roxanne Rataiski

3rd Row: Dylan Chambers, Simon Heinrich, Alexander Plumadore, Charles

Cutting, Montgomery Winslow, Hannah Simonovic

4th Row: Tanner Martin, Grant Edwards

#### Tech Club



1st Row: Alok Kamatar, David Roegner, Rohan Kamatar, Damon Jagodzinski, James Murphy, Maanav Patel

2nd Row: Hayes Hundman, Jared Schuckman, Chidambara Anagani, Alexander Plumadore, Lucas Hari, Colton Stogner

3rd Row: Cory Culbertson, Colin Hardman, Cameron Herbert, Zachary Quarton, Nicholas Rolley, Andrew Takantjas, Vishvarath Balasubramanian-Karthikeyan, Henry Wissmiller, Benjamin Guttschow

#### **U-Build**



1st Row: Emma Martin, Jade Hassebrock, Taylor McCormick, Karizma Im, Sami Spain, Olivia Cramer, Faith Ausili, Daisy Covarrubias, Taylor Wilson, Jennifer Park, Samara Ribbens, Molly Bledsoe

2nd Row: Julia Herrman, Advika Kamatar, Lauren Seaver, Jenna Schuline, Julianna Heptinstall, Bennett Sinclair, Lila Rolon, Peris Story, Anna Rodriguez, Quinn Johnson, Kellie Stempinski

3rd Row: Robin Fiero, Melissa Reiss, Emma Merriman, Alikah Marshall, Alok Kamatar, Lucas Hari, Olivia Markert, Maddison Murphy, Abigail Klein, Aubrie Smith, Alexis French, Rosa Rolon

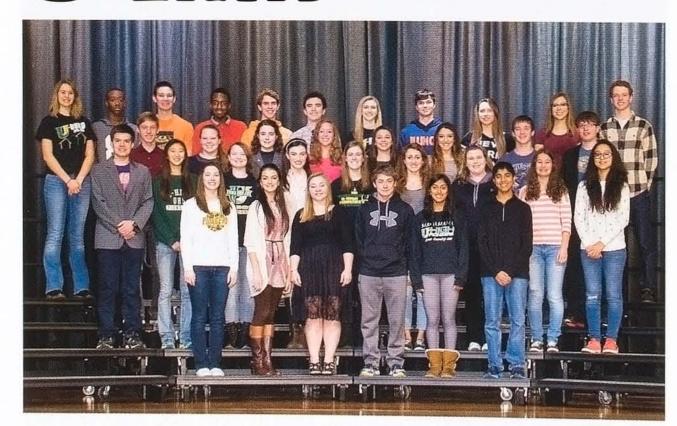
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#### **U-Nited**



1st Row: Alexandra Beam, Shreeya Malpani, Sarah Angles, Natalie Lade, Stephanie Chow, Ellie Landes, Jade Fung, Lillian Culp, Abriana Ruiz, Shreye Ramachandran, Deanna Trosino, Sarah Park, Stephanie Park 2nd Row: Kelsey Torrez, Piper Schuring, Katelyn Armstrong, Teagan Jordan, Kennadi Outlaw, Kearsten Personette, Kathleen Reeves, Shaun Taxali, Olivia Morkin, Lauren Brown, Thea Cornwell, Jennifer Park, Kara Henry, Caitlin Mussey, Christina Su, Bennett Sinclair, Ella Zona 3rd Row: Madison Sapp, Bailey Larsen, Jennifer Connor, Alexis Engst, CJ Bruns, Maddie Thompson, Julianna Hepinstall, Joselyn Peña, Spencer Smiley, Olivia Markert, Taylor Wilson, Karizma Im, Taylor McCormick, Olivia Cramer, Stephanie Luzolo, Salma Ahsan, Sadie Cole, Briana Lopez 4th Row: Bryan Huizenga, Chloe Benyamin, Adam Schofield, Stephanie Soukup, Anakasia Garcia, Ava Trevarthan, Isabelle Jacobson, Kevin Covarrubius, Janel Scott, Damon Jagodzinski, Hannah Foley, Jillian Campbell, Lauren Bacon, Mary Claire Lartz, Laura Endsley, Grace Henderson, Caroline McKinzie, Megan Wittman, Madigan Landess, Brittany Adams, Andrew Loy, Brendan Wall, Elena Hollingsworth 5th Row: Jacob Susina, Addy Loeffler, Lexus Tennison, Emma Watson, Matheieson, Robin Fiero, Melissa Reiss 7th Row: Abbey Collins, Hannah Matthews, Sydni Ritsema, Poleena Kovalaske, Josh Kuhn, Ethan Schlenka, Hadley Hagerty, Rickey Orr, Alexander Walker, Henry Wissmiller, Quinn Johnson, Jordan Carr, David Phipps, Chante Stonewall, Bronzi Owens, Kaylee Birlingmair, Elyse Standard, Mary Spaulding, Michelle Styczynski, Mia Riddell, Melody Benyamin

#### U-Link



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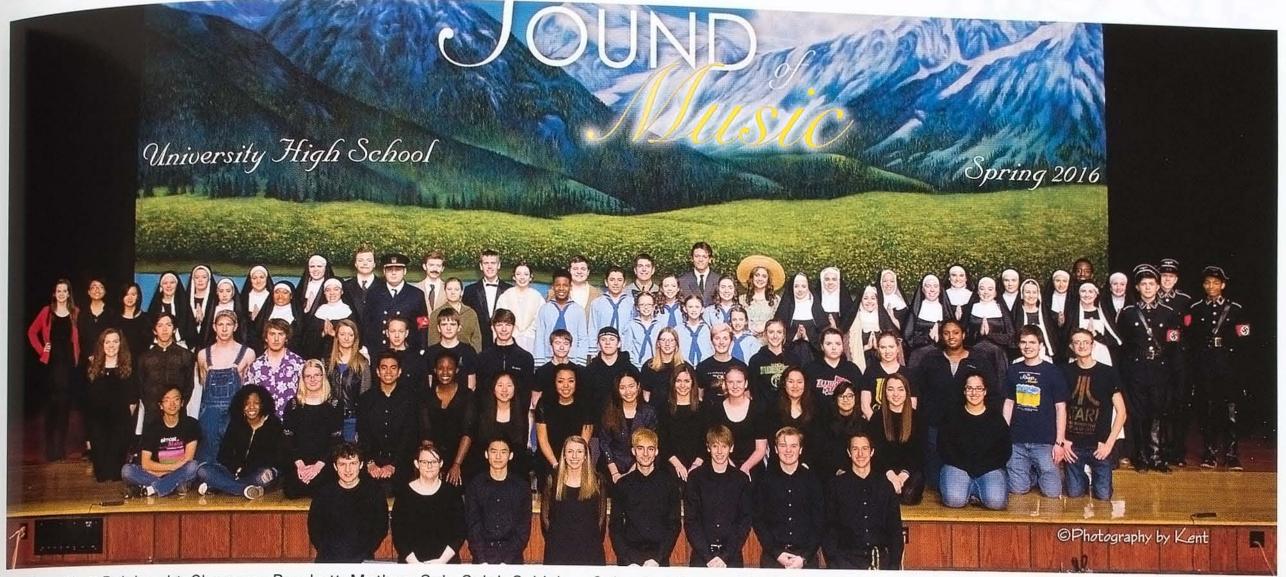
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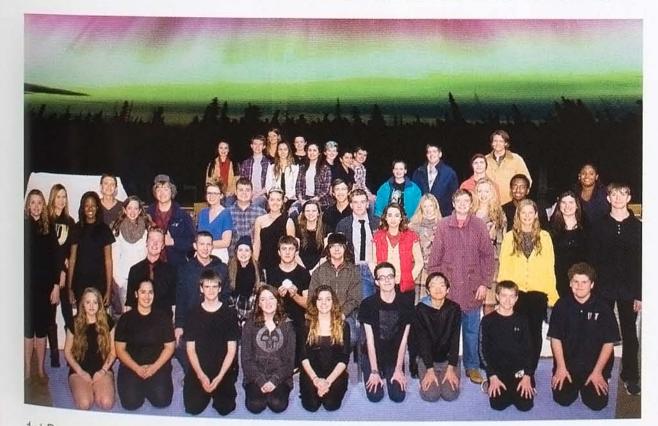
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### cast & Crew of Sound of Music



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#### Cast & Crew of Almost Maine



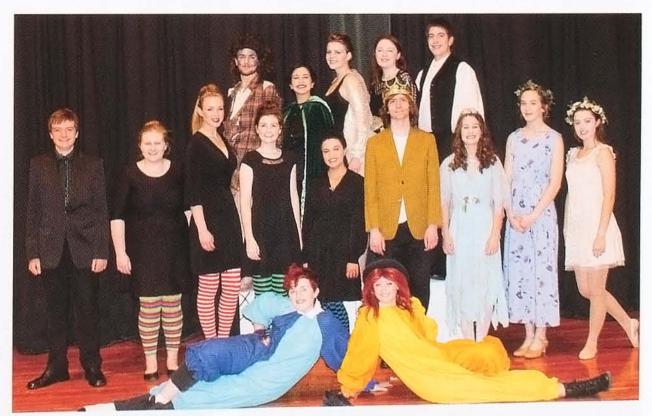
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3rd Row: Celeste Berardi, Jordyn Blythe, Caroline McKinzie, Quinn Johnson, Jade Hassebrock, Edwin Kelso, Ryann Piker, Adam Schofield, Isabel Jacobsen, Sarah Poultney, Colin Poultney

4th Row: Emily Herman, Ethan Thomas, Noah Sallen, Annellia Pierce, Griffin Thompson, Alex Walbert, Isabel Dawson, Brianna Pinter, Rickey Orr, Synclaire

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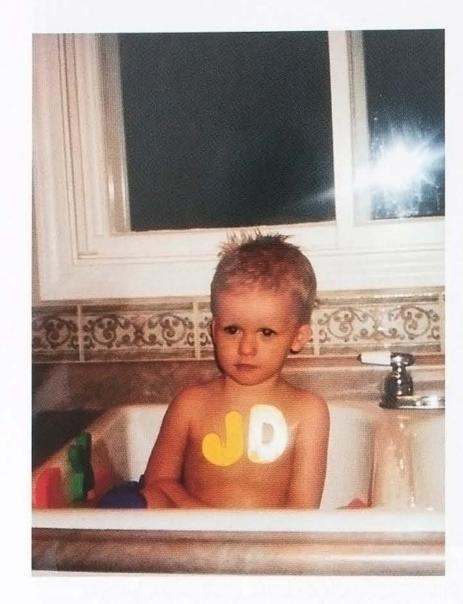
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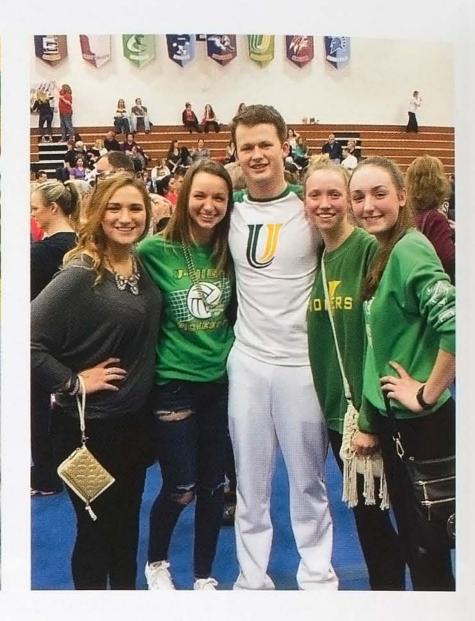
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### JD Carr





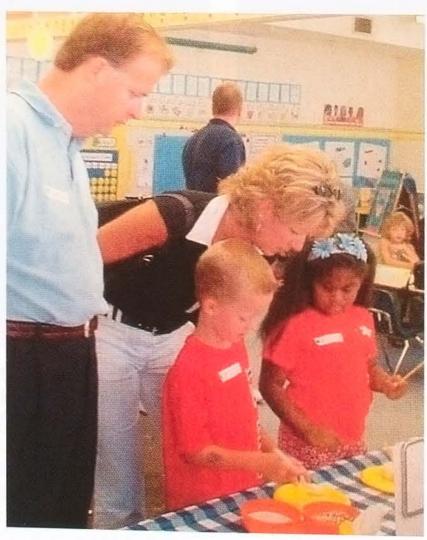


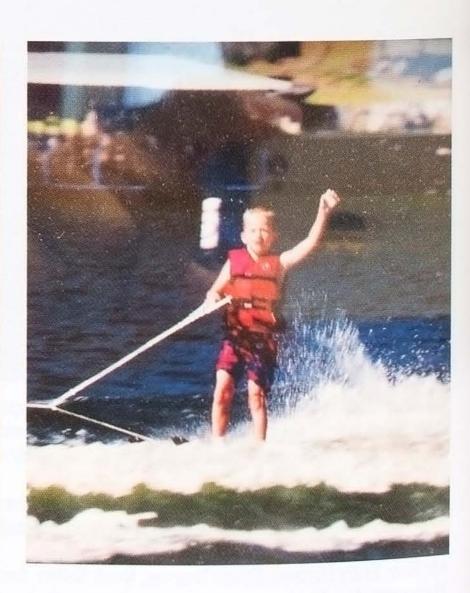
Congratulations JD! It's been a blast watching you grow from JD to Jordan and from Batman to senior grad. You're an amazing young man, and we are looking forward to watching you take on your next adventure. It's time to fly Batman!

With love from Dad, "Alfred," Batman's butler, and "Robin" your most trusted and loved sidekick, Makenzie

"The greater the obstacle, the more glory in overcoming it." -Moliere







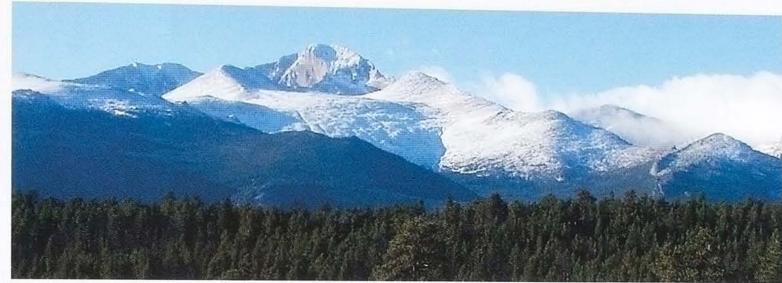
# Kylie Personette



Your life has been a blessing to us all. We've loved watching you grow up and become the young adult you are today. You're beautiful, smart, caring, funny, creative, and have made opportunities for yourself that parents could only hope for their children. We look forward to the future and seeing the things you do that will make the world a better place.

Your care and compassion for others is inspirational. Your pursuit of your dreams to achieve what you want it incredible. Your personality is infectious. Your beauty is timeless.

We love you dearly, Mom & Dad





The best years of your life are still ahead of you! College is fun and exciting. It is time for learning, meeting new people, being introduced to new ideas, growth, and pursuing you personal dreams and goals.

You have a million memories of life already and you will make a million more during your college career.



If you can dream it, you can achieve it.

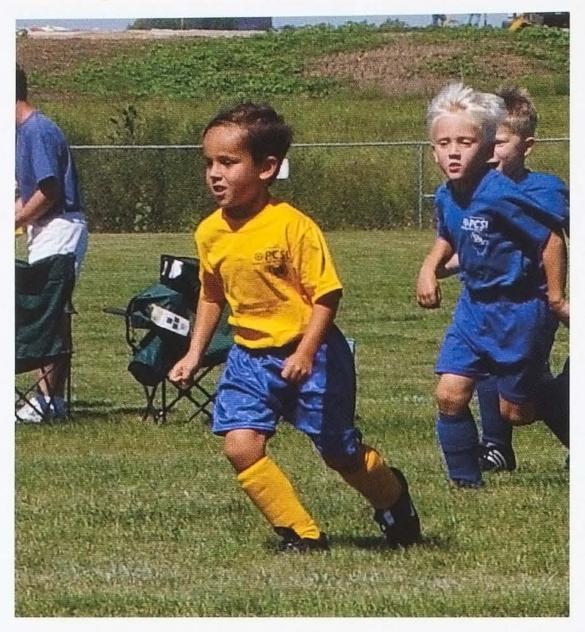
The world is your oyster!

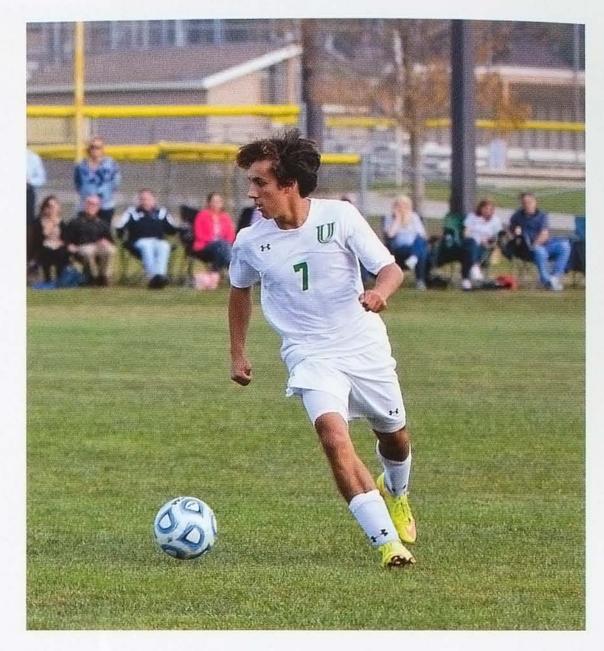


Psalm 27:1 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the strength of my life; whom shall I be afraid?

### Michael Juarez





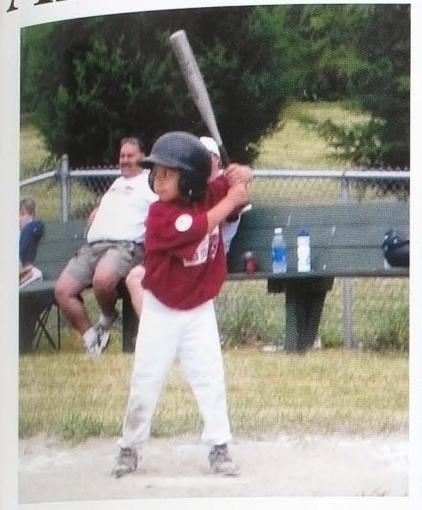
Words cannot express how incredibly proud we are of you in academics, sports and life! You have become such an amazing young man!! Congratulations on your graduation. We love you!! Love,

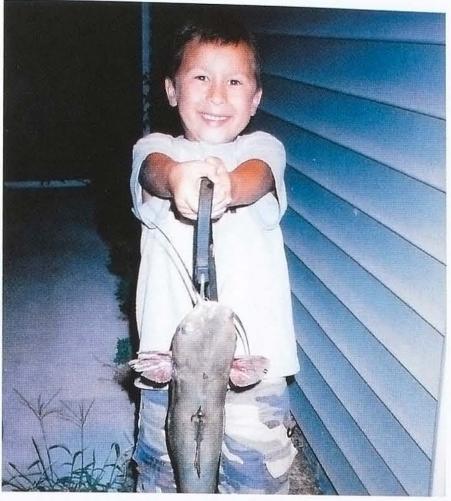
Mom, Dad, and Amber

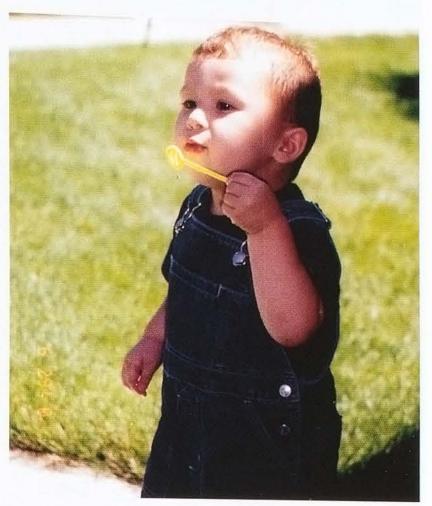


Good luck senior soccer players! It was an amazing ride!

Andrew Ponce





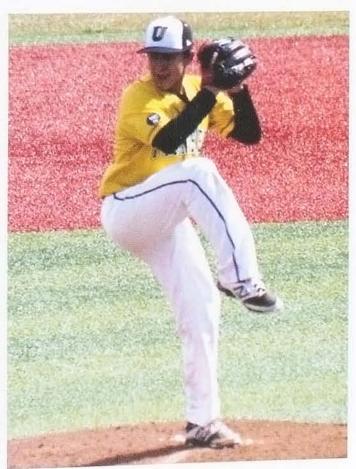


Andrew- We are so proud of everything you have accomplished and look forward to watching your continued success! It has been pure joy watching you grow. Thank you for being the best role model and big brother to Benjamin and Matthew. Faith and family... always remember the importance of both. We love you so much! Mom, Dad, Benjamin and Matthew

You're off to great places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting. So get on your way! ~Dr. Suess

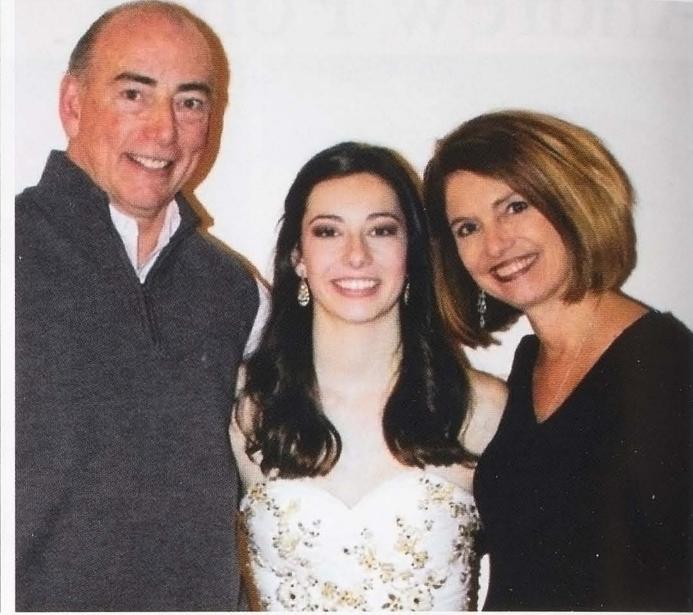






### Grace Henderson



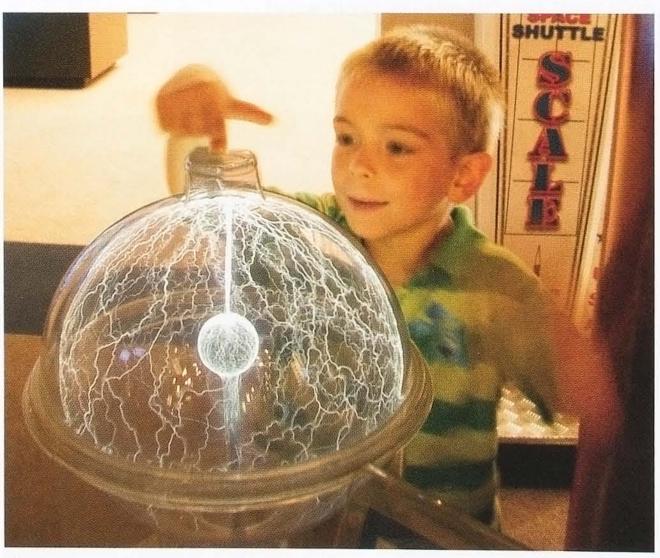


Grace,

Even though you learned that "Amazing Grace," the song, was not written about you, we are so proud that you have embodied the title *as if* it were... to us, you are "amazing Grace," indeed, and we look forward to your next phase of life, and see how God will use you, and all of your talents, to make a significant contribution to this world. We love you!

Mom & Dad

### Grant Edwards

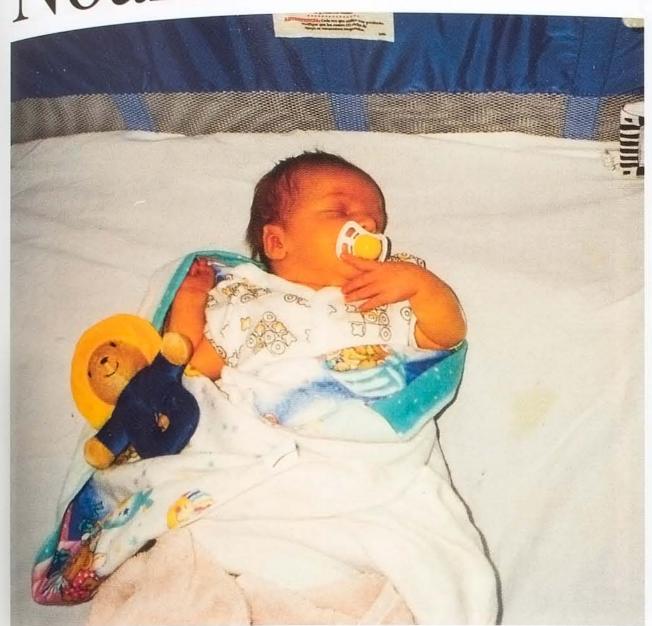


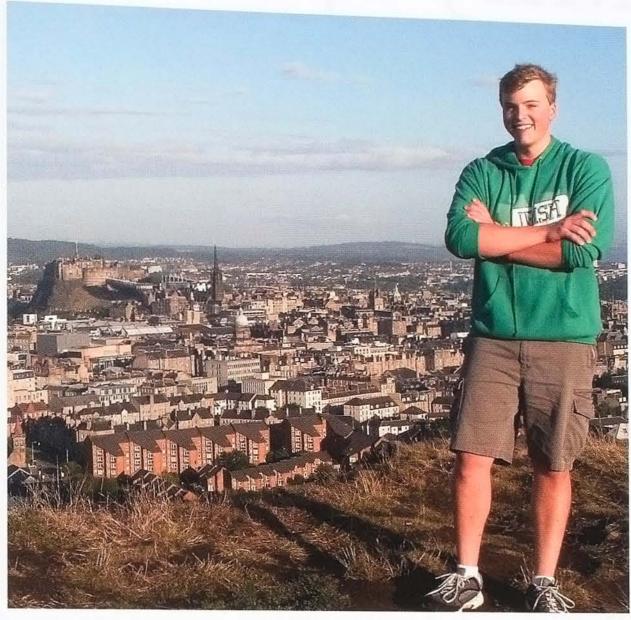


Congratulations Grant! We are so proud of the way you've worked to allow the "spark" of knowledge to help you grow into an accomplished young man. Enjoy exploring all the possibilities as you tread life's path. Remember to call home now and then. We'll be missing you.

Love Mum, Dad and Ben

# Noah Sallen





Noah,
We are so proud of all that you have accomplished in school and in life! We can't wait to see what the future holds! We love you!

Mom and Dad

### Rachel Keil





Congratulations Rachel on your amazing journey through University High School. We are very proud of you in all you have accomplished. We look forward to your continued success at college and your life. Keep smiling and enjoy the journey.

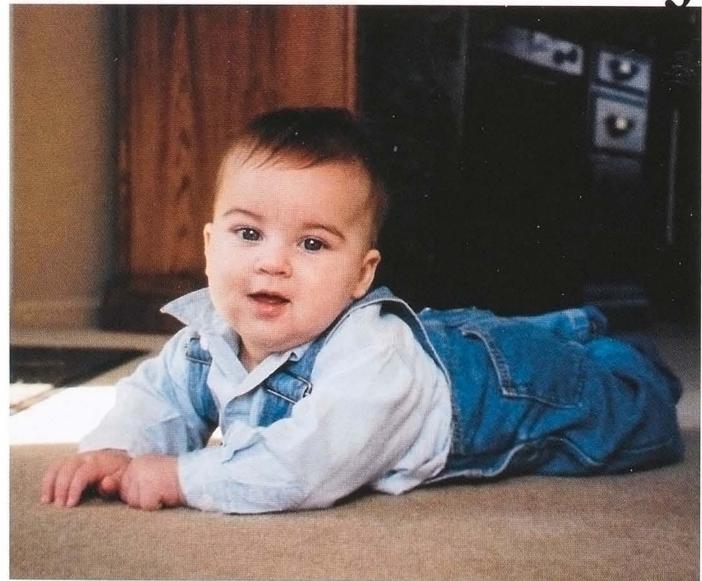
We love you very much, Dad, Mom and Austin Mary Spaulding

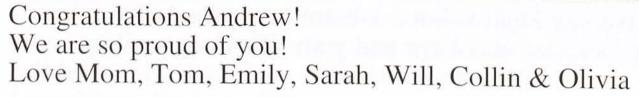


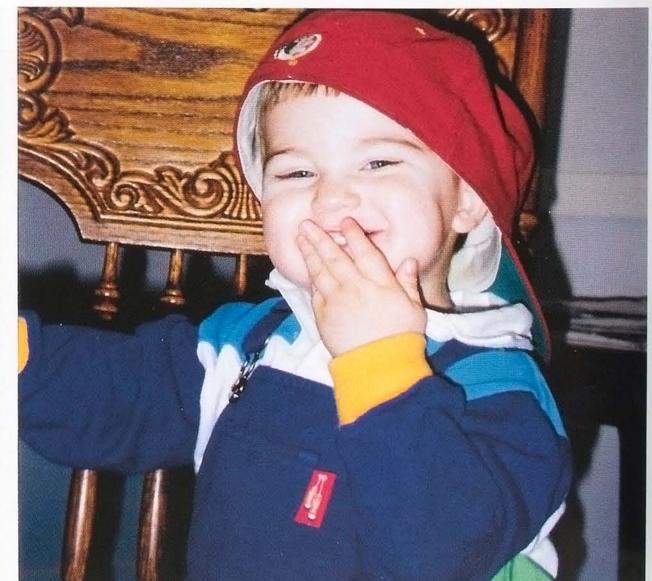


Mary,
We are so proud of all that you have accomplished as a Pioneer, and are excited for your next adventure. Keep shining!
Love, Mom & Dad

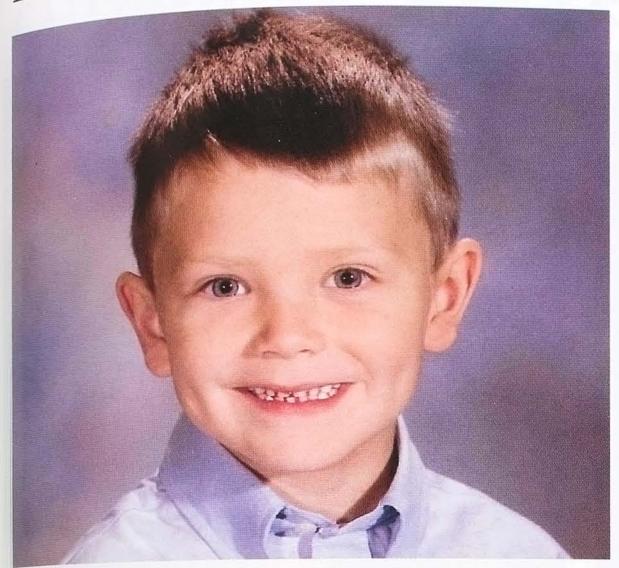
Andrew Takantjas







# Brett Drake





We are so unbelievably proud of you! Four years have come and gone so quickly. You have made friendships and memories that you will cherish for a lifetime. Pursue your dreams and passions, stay true to your faith and values. We are so excited for what the future holds for you!! Jeremiah 29:11.

Love, Mom and Dad

### Laura Dulee





Our Laura,

Your years at U-High have been filled with learning opportunities, sports, friends, and fun! College will no doubt bring more of the same success will be yours when done! We are proud of all you have achieved and can't wait to see what will come your way! Our constant love and support will be with you; always be happy and smile every

With all our love,

Dad, Mom, Brad and Morgan

### Amanda Waltner



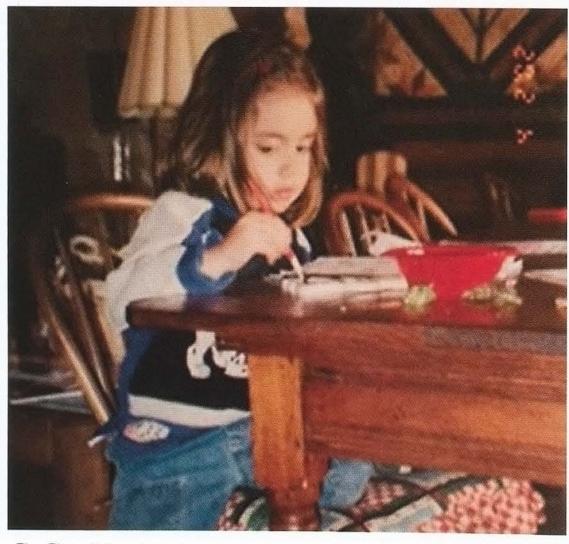


Amanda,

We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. You have become a beautiful, caring young woman. We love you very much. May God continue to guide and bless you in your further endeavors.

Love, Mom and Dad

### CeCe Hill





CeCe- You've been our shining "star" and set the "stage" for a bright future. Your passion, brains, and faith will propel you to great things! We are blessed to be able to share your past and future "curtain calls"! "Break a leg."

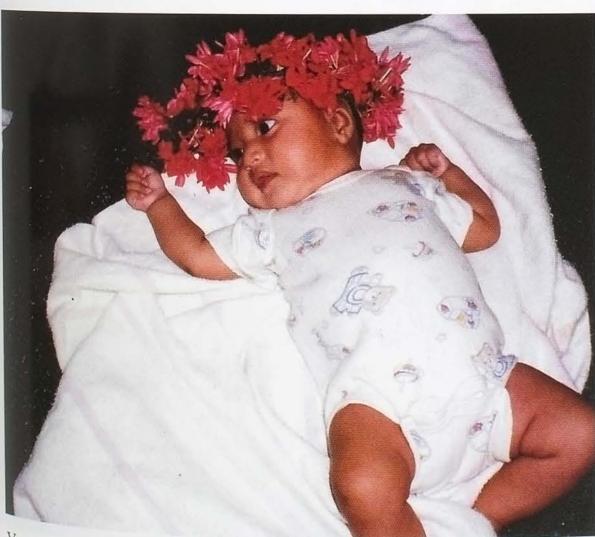
# Anakasia Garcia





We wish you the strength to face challenges with confidence...along with the wisdom to choose your battles carefully...We wish you adventure on your journey and may you always stop to help someone along the way... Listen to your heart and take risks carefully...remember how much you are loved...we are immensely proud of you, sweetie. Love, Mom and Dad

# Samara Ribbens





Your first day at school you went humming off like a sweet little tune. It feels like that day is back again, this time with your full clear voice joining life's lyrics as you head to college. We always knew you'd add the right notes. Through your life, we are confident you will improve the world with thte harmony and melody of your unique song.

Love, Mom, Ed, Neli, Joey and Ruby

### John Diffor



John, Congratulations! We are so proud of the young man of character that you are. Your kindness, hard work, and loyalty standout for good in the world. We love you and pray God's blessings in the future!

Mom, Dad, Caleb, Alex, and Maleka

## Melody Benyamin



Congratulations Melody, Your hard work has finally paid off! May your kindness, wisdom and big heart continue to help you achieve your goals. We are excited to see what the future holds for you.

Love, Your Family



Andréa, we are so proud of you and the wonderful person you are. Our wish for you is that you find what you love to do and that you make a positive difference in this world.

Love you, Mom and Dad

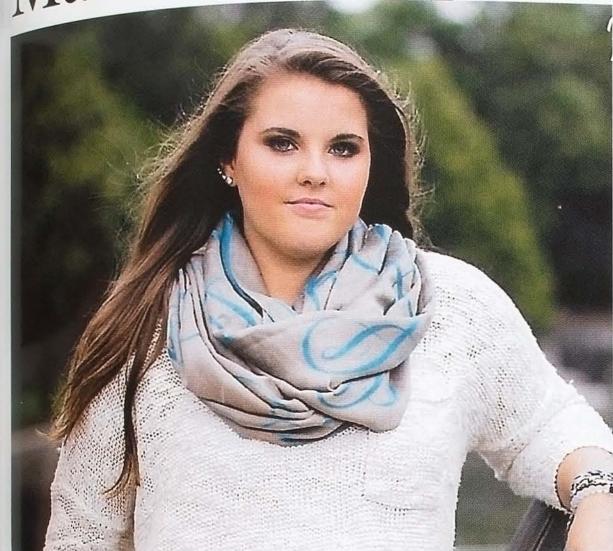
### Andréa Martinez Madigan Landess



We love you, Madigan! We are very proud of you! Psalms 73:28. Love,

Mom and Dad

# Madison Sapp



Congratulations Madison! We cannot believe your high school years have come to an end. We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments. You are an amazing young woman who has so many things to look forward to! Love you- Mom, Dad and McKenna

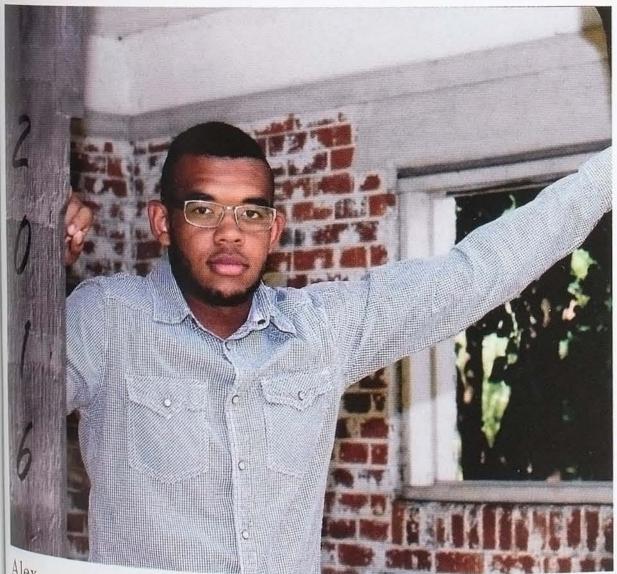
# José Mancias



Congratulations José! We are extremely proud of you and all of your accomplishments so far. We are eager to see what the future holds for you.

All our love, Dan, Mom, Xavi, Raquel

### Alexander Walker



Alex, Graduation is a milestone in your life. As you leave for higher learning, "Set Your Goals, Take the Action, Live Your Dreams." Winners meet life's challenges head-on.

We are so proud of you!

Love you

Dad, Vickie, Anthony & Carrington

### Colophon

With a class consisting of football players, baseball and softball players, dancers, senators, volunteers, businessmen, and even a pilot, this year's group of journalists was like no other. A fast-paced, yet efficient group, our class was dedicated to giving U-High journalism a new look under the direction of advisor Amy Reiman. "This group consistently got more interviews and covered more people in the school than in the past," Reiman said. We focused on finding unique angles for our writing and photography and thus pulled off an excellent year full of fascinating stories and fun memories. "I loved guiding the new journalists and helping them improve their writing," senior news editor Caroline Page said. Zach Frey, senior yearbook editor, added that his favorite memory, "was creating a memorable yearbook that captured the spirit of the class of 2016." We are proud of our published works and want to thank everyone who participated in stories whether it be offering quotations in interviews or forwarding pictures. Most of all, thank you for giving us a reason to write our stories and to capture everything Pioneers are "in addition to tradition."

Story by Caroline Page and Mary Spaulding

A special thank you to Stacy Welter for being our advisor-in-disguise. We couldn't have done these name checks without you.

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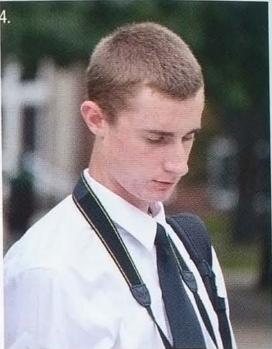
#### The Dream Team

1. Two-year members Caroline Page, Mary Spaulding (news), Zach Frey, and Hannah Foley (yearbook) took on their roles as editors of the Clarionette and yearbook. 2. Junior Sarah LaFayette contribued to both yearbook and newspaper focusing on student life. 3. Becca Wagner specialized in taking photos specifically in the school auditorium. 4. Jay Burton focused on writing feature stories for the 'The Clarionette'.







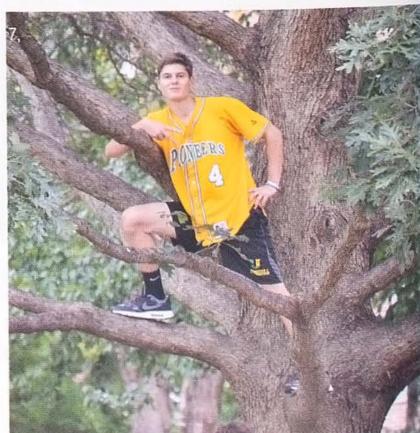




Picture Perfect

5. The 2016 journalism class ventured to ISU Quad to practice taking pictures. 6. Senior Laura Endsley worked with the yearbook creating spreads about social events at U-High 7. Senior Jon Rink contributed both to the newspaper and yearbook focusing on sport teams.







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### **MUSIC**

#### 1. NOT BAD

Taylor Swift's "Bad Blood" video, with an all-star cast of actresses and models, wins the VMA Music Video of the Year award.

#### 2. A DIFFERENT DIRECTION

One Direction releases its sixth album, *Made In The A.M.*, and announces an extended break.

#### 3. TRUE PURPOSE

Justin Bieber releases his fourth studio album, *Purpose*, which impresses even non-Beliebers.

#### 4. FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES

The Weeknd's *Beauty Behind the Madness* album features duets with Ed Sheeran and Lana Del Rey.

#### 5. NOT TOO LATE

Drake delights fans and critics with his acclaimed album If You're Reading This It's Too Late.

#### 6. WOMEN ON TOP

Katy Perry and Taylor Swift top the Forbes list of top-earning women in music.

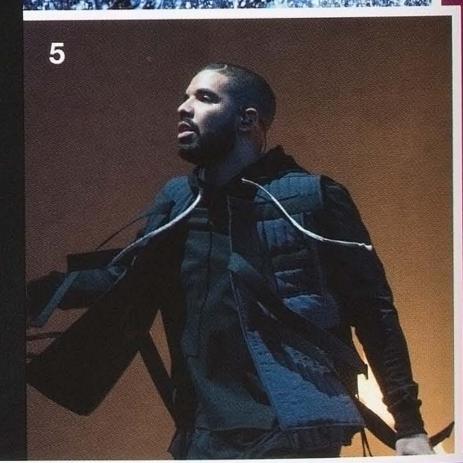
#### 7. CRUSHED IT

Little Big Town's "Girl Crush" wins Single of the Year and Song of the Year at the Country Music Awards.

#### 8. WISTFUL HELLO

Adele releases "Hello," the first hit single from her much-awaited album 25.





















#### 1. MINECRAFT

Minecraft: Pocket Edition, enabling users to build their own imaginative worlds, comes in on top for most downloaded game app.

#### 2. LIFE IS A STREAM

Users broadcast their videos in real time with Periscope, the popular new live streaming app. Apple names it the iPhone® app of the year.

#### 3. BOY BAND BEEF

One Direction fans are even more heartbroken when Zayn Malik launches a Twitter feud with his former band mates.

#### **4. SELFIES 2.0**

Snapchat launches Lenses, a suite of zany, animated special effects you can layer over your face.

#### 5. CASH FOR CLANS

The small cost for exponentially increasing your ability to defend and combat opposing bases wins out over the wallet in the mobile app game, Clash of Clans. This top grossing app raked in an incredible \$1.56 million per day from users dolling out real cash to develop virtual troops.

#### **6. SILENT PROTEST**

Taylor Swift refuses to put her 1989 album on Spotify and removes her older releases from the streaming service.

#### 7. SNAPCHAT SURGES

Evan Spiegel, then-23-year-old CEO of Snapchat, turned down a multi-billion dollar offer from Facebook. Now, usage reports hoist Snapchat second at 6 billion views per day to Facebook's 8 billion.

#### 8. THE BILLION VIEW CLUB

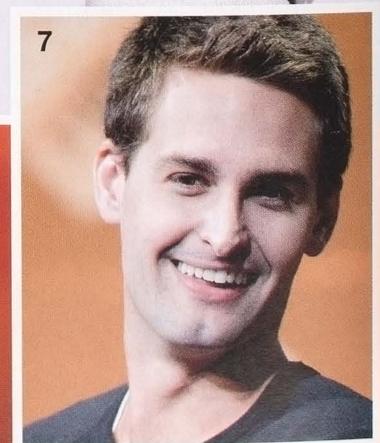
One billion YouTube views, once rare, are becoming increasingly common. Wiz Khalifa's "See You Again" is the tenth and latest member of the club.

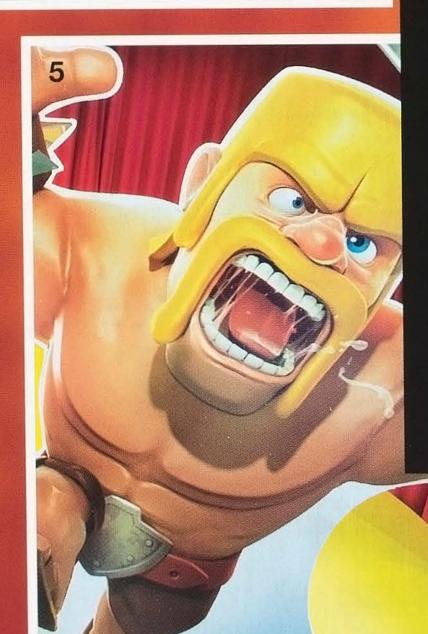
#### 9. #THEDRESS

Is it blue and black or white and gold? Variations in human color perception go viral as a photo of a dress on Tumblr prompts heated debate. A BuzzFeed article about the dress attracts 37 million hits.





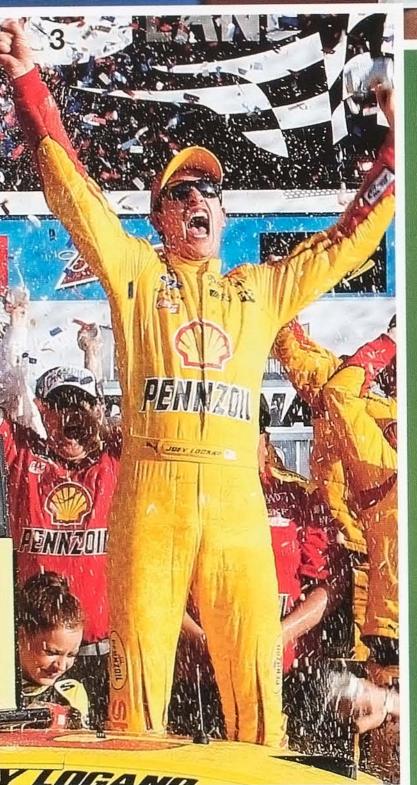












### SPORTS

#### 1. ABBY HANGS UP HER CLEATS

The world's leading scorer and captain of USA women's soccer team, Abby Wambach, announced her retirement following Team USA's triumphant win against Japan (5-2) in the World Cup championship.

#### 2. LITTLE LEAGUE, BIG WIN

Japan wins 2015 Little League Baseball World Series by defeating Mid-Atlantic in an astounding six innings. Shingo Tomita hit two opportune homers in the second and third innings that boosted his team toward their 18-11 run win.

#### 3. DAYTONA SURPRISE

With his surprise Daytona 500 victory, Joey Logano of Team Penske grabs a spot in the chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup.

#### 4. DIVISION ONE DOMINANCE

University of Alabama Crimson Tide defeats Clemson University Tigers 45 to 40 in the NCAA FBS National Championship game.

#### 5. UFC UPSET

The #RouseyRevolution of MMA superstar Ronda Rousey takes an unexpected detour with a knockout from Holly Holm.

#### 6. SERENA THE GREAT

After winning 3 of 4 Grand Slam tournaments in 2015, Serena Williams was named as the Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year for the fourth time.

#### 7. SUPER SHOWDOWN

Football fans sat captivated as the Denver Broncos defeated the Carolina Panthers 24 to 10 in the NFL Championship game at Levi's Stadium in San Francisco.

#### 8. WARRIORS WIN

The Golden State Warriors end their 40-year championship drought by defeating the Cleveland Cavaliers to win the NBA Championship.

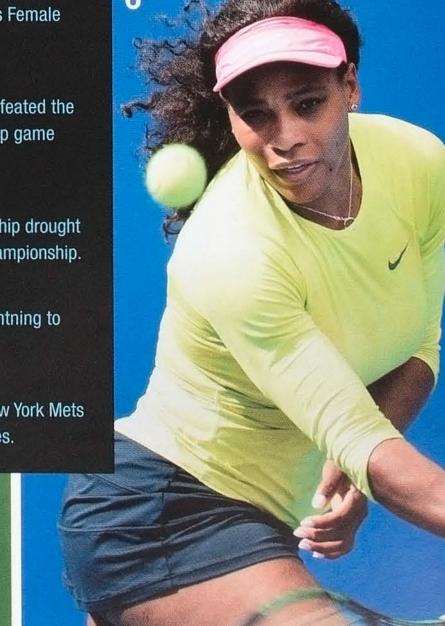
#### 9. THE CUP COMES BACK

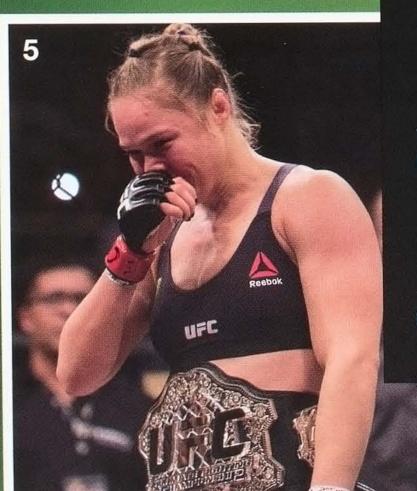
The Chicago Blackhawks defeat the Tampa Bay Lightning to win their sixth Stanley Cup Championship.

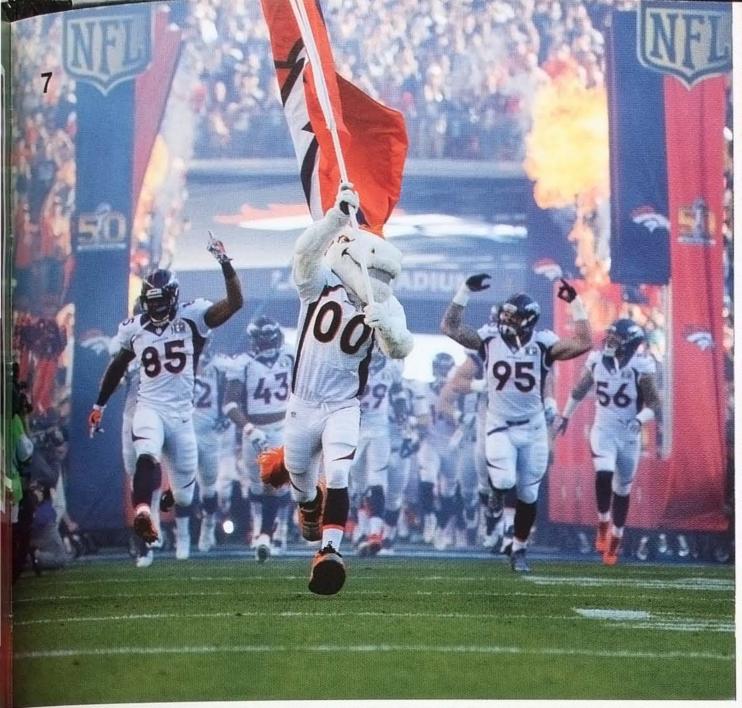
#### **10. ROYALS REIGN**

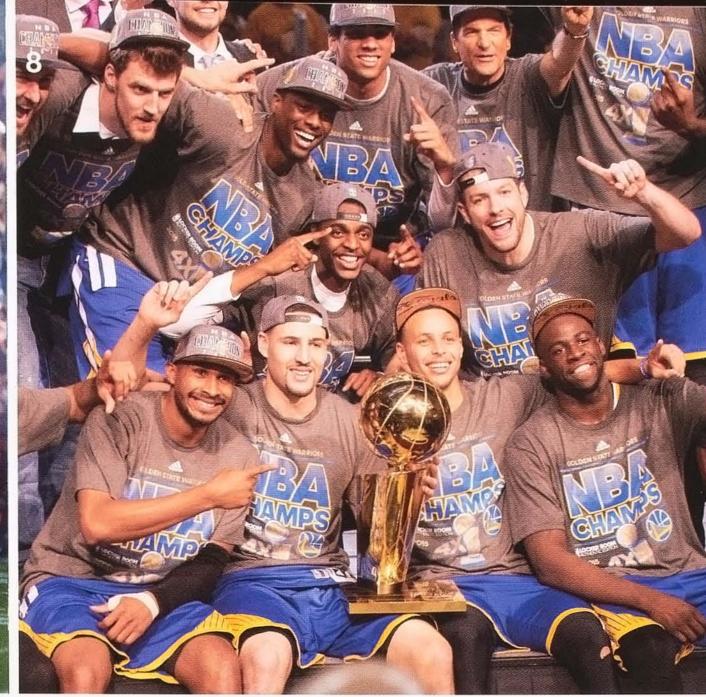
Kansas City fans go wild when the Royals defeat the New York Mets four games to one to win the MLB World Series.

















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1B	Eric Hosmer	KCR	1B	Paul Goldschmidt
2B	Jose Altuve	HOU	2B	Dee Gordon
3B	Manny Machado	BAL	3B	Nolan Arenado
SS	Alcides Escobar	KCR	SS	Brandon Crawford
LF	Yoenis Cespedes	DET	LF	Starling Marte
CF	Kevin Kiermaier	ТВ	CF	AJ Pollock
RF	Kole Calhoun	LAA	RF	Jason Heyward

#### TOP 5

#### HIGHEST PAID ATHLETES OF 2015

- 1. Floyd Mayweather, Jr.
- 2. Manny Pacquiao

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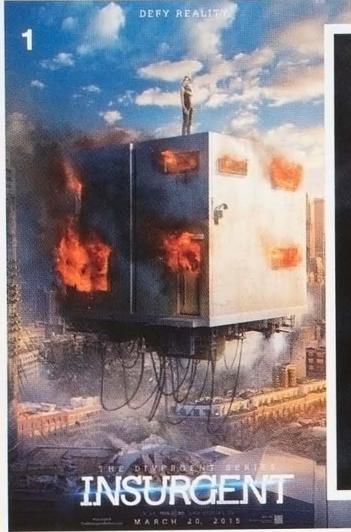
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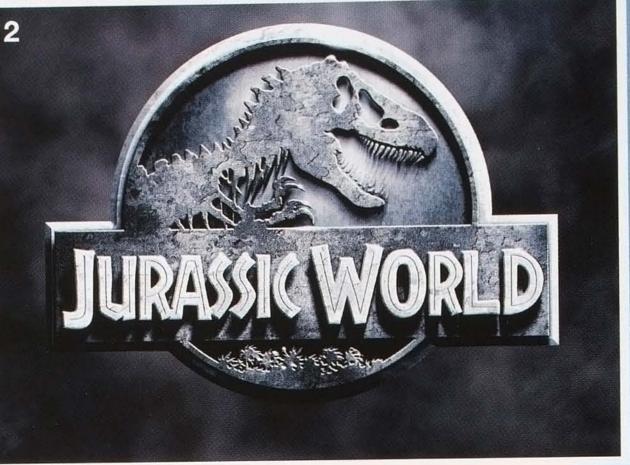
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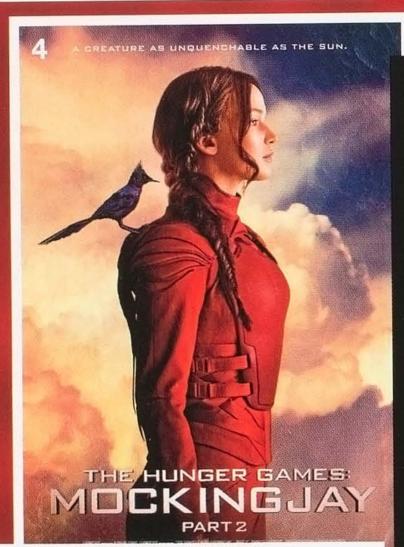
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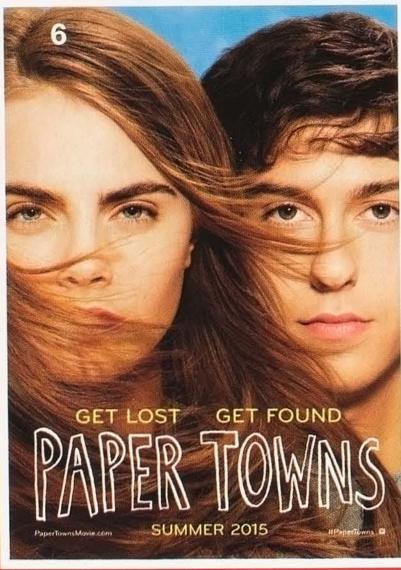
- 3. Cristiano Ronaldo
- 4. Lionel Messi
- 5. Roger Federer

http://www.cheatsheet.com/sports/the-7highest-paid-athletes-in-2015.html/?a=viewall









### MOVIES

#### 1. BEYOND THE WALL

Shailene Woodley returns as Tris Prior in the film adaptation of *The Divergent Series: Insurgent*.

#### 2. A MONSTER HIT

Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard star in *Jurassic World*, the fourth movie in the Jurassic Park film series.

#### 3. PRIDE AND JOY

The biopic *Joy* wins a Golden Globe, and so does Jennifer Lawrence for her portrayal of a divorced mom turned millionaire entrepreneur.

#### 4. THE LIBERATION OF PANEM

Katniss Everdeen and her allies return to theaters for their final mission in *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay – Part 2.* 

#### **5. WINS IN THE WILDERNESS**

The Revenant, a dark frontier drama starring Leonardo DiCaprio, wins numerous awards and a positive approval rating of 81% on Rotten Tomatoes.

#### 6. LOST AND FOUND

When Margo goes missing, Quentin skips school to find her in Paper Towns, the film adaptation of John Green's young adult novel.

#### 7. THE BREAKING POINT

Adventurers attempt to complete eight extreme ordeals in Point Break; the drama fails to win over critics but performs well at the box office.

#### 8. INSIDE OUT

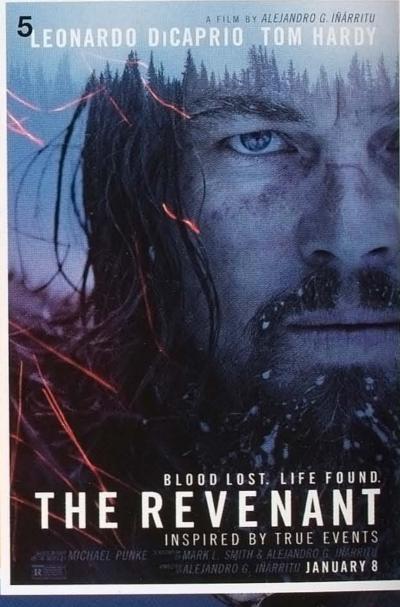
Riley's emotions are personified in the newest Disney Pixar box office hit. Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness guide Riley through adjusting to her new life in San Francisco.

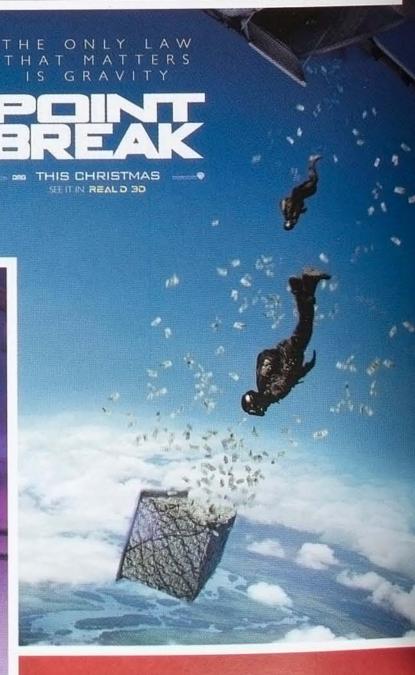
#### 9. STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS

The new Star Wars film topped *Avatar* to claim the all-time No. 1 spot in North American box offices.











TOP 10

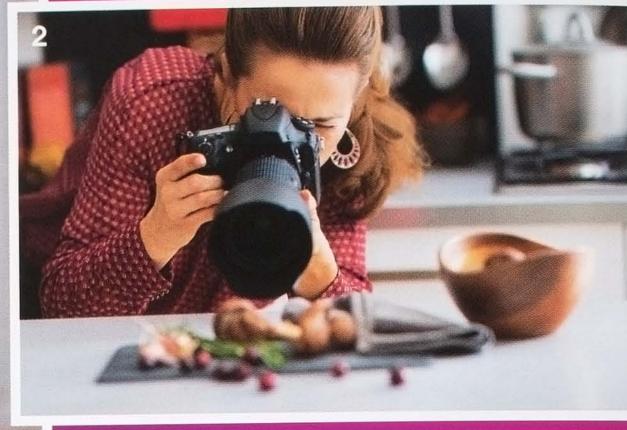
AT THE BOX OFFICE IN 2015

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- 2. Jurassic World
- 3. Avengers: Age of Ultron
- 4. Inside Out
- 5. Furious 7

- 7. The Hunger Games Part 2
- 8. The Martian
- 9. *Cinderella* (2015)
- 10. Spectre (James Bond)







Punk

### **POP CULTURE**

#### 1. 3D PRINTING EVOLVES

Demand for 3D printers climbs as the technology advances to accommodate metals, electronics, pharmaceuticals and biological materials.

#### 2. BLOGGERS MAKE BANK

The most successful fashion and beauty bloggers and vloggers on Instagram can make up to \$500,000 per year by offering affiliate links and sponsored content.

#### 3. CAITLYN'S COURAGE

Newly transitioned transgender celebrity Caitlyn Jenner accepts the Arthur Ashe Courage Award at the ESPY Awards.

#### 4. MOST LIKED INSTAGRAM EVER

With more than 2.5 million likes, the image of model and reality TV star Kendall Jenner, with her hair arranged in heart shapes, is the most-liked Instagram photo ever.

#### **5. HEALTHY BUSINESS MODEL**

With juice bar sales approaching \$100 million a year, the cold-pressed juicing cleanse trend continues as busy, health-conscious consumers seek a shortcut to wellness.

#### 6. THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL WOMAN

Time magazine names Germany's Chancellor Angela Merkel its Person of the Year and describes her as "Chancellor of the Free World."

#### 7. KANYE ON THE RUNWAY

Following the success of Kanye West's Yeezy fashion label seasons 1 and 2, he recently debuted his third season at New York Fashion Week.

#### 8. WASTE NOT

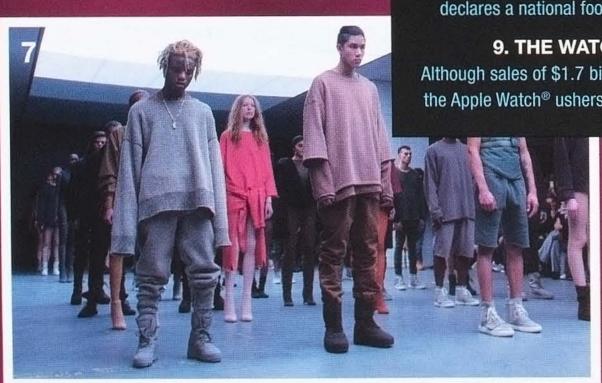
A Manhattan chef creates fine dining from "garbage" ingredients to demonstrate how to prevent food waste. The Federal government declares a national food waste reduction goal of 50% by 2030.

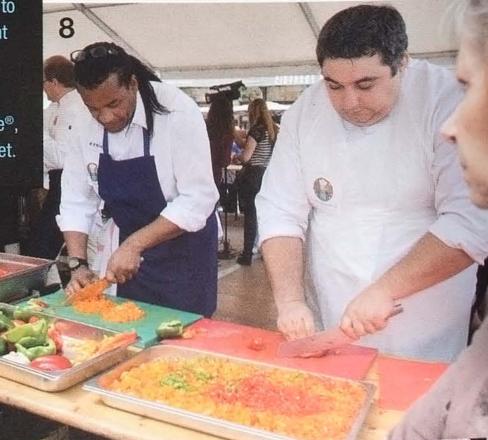
#### 9. THE WATCHWORLD IS WEARABLE

Although sales of \$1.7 billion are modest compared to the iPhone®, the Apple Watch® ushers wearable tech into the consumer market.





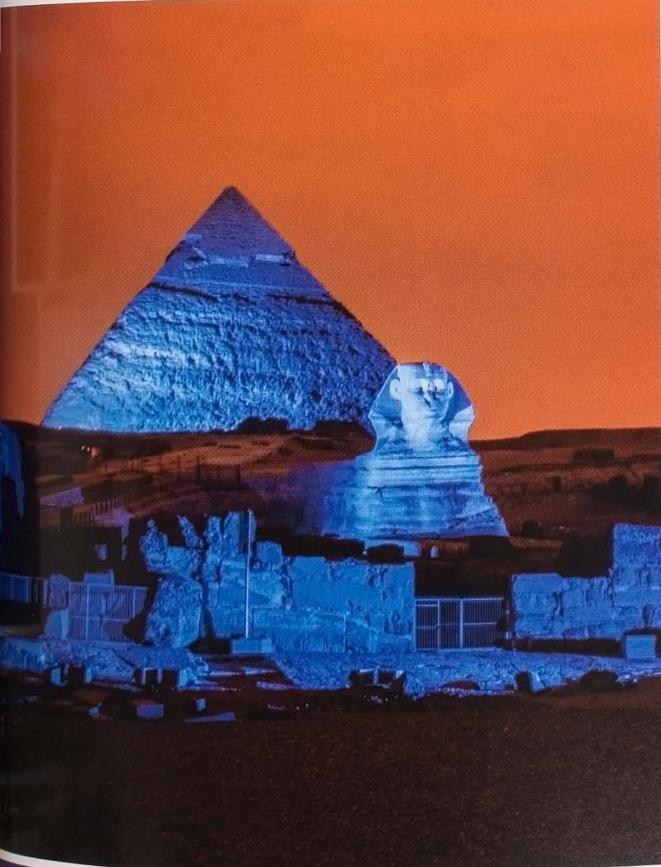


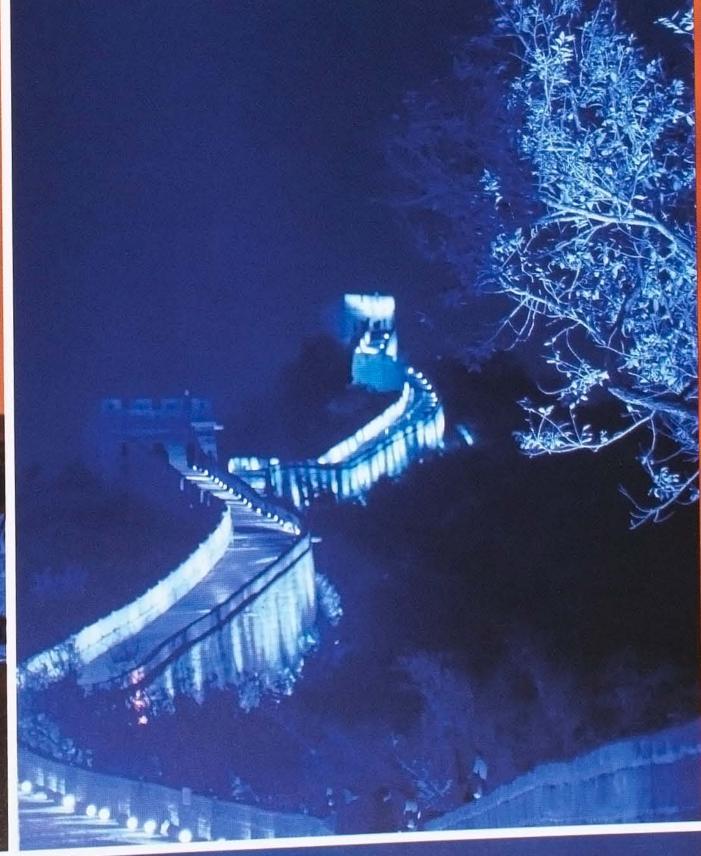












### MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE

ACCORDING TO FORBES IN 2015

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- 1. Vladimir Putin, 63
- 2. Angela Merkel, 61
- 3. Barack Obama, 54
- 4. Pope Francis, 79
- 5. Xi Jingping, 62
- 6. Bill Gates, 60
- 7. Janet Yellen, 69
- 8. David Cameron, 49
- 9. Narendra Modi, 65
- 10. Larry Page, 42







# BRANDS

#### 1. LEGO IS LIFE

Life Lego was named Forbes Most Powerful Brand of 2015 after debuting their new Lego Marvel's Avengers and Lego Jurassic World toys.



#### MOST VALUABLE BRANDS IN 2015

- 1. Apple, \$145.3 billion 2. Microsoft, \$69.3 billion 3. Google, \$65.6 billion
  - 4. Coca-Cola, \$56 billion
  - 5. IBM, \$49.8 billion
  - 6. McDonald's, \$39.5 billion
  - 7. Samsung, \$37.9 billion
  - 8. Toyota, \$37.8 billion
  - 9. General Electric (GE), \$37.5 billion
  - 10. Facebook, \$36.5 billion

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23% FOOD

**16% REMAINING MUSIC, MOVIES, EVENTS** 

**10% ACCESSORIES** 

20% CLOTHING

VIDEO GAMES

HOW TEENS SPEND MONEY

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